The Maguire Campus

With the acquisition of Episcopal Academy's Merion campus, named the Maguire Campus for the generosity of James J. Maguire ’58 (B.S.), Saint Joseph's will add to its existing 65 acres:

- 38 acres
- 52 classroom
- 8 laboratories
- 113 offices
- 14.5 acres of playing fields
- 319 parking spaces

James J. and Frances Maguire
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FROM THE EDITOR

It had been an interminable wait for our annual August vacation in Ocean City, N.J. My husband and I were more than ready to escape our routines, and our three kids were eager to hit the beach and boardwalk.

Exhausted and irritable on a sweltering Friday evening, we set off. It was two hours past our expected departure time, but with the minivan packed tight and the kids clad in pajamas, we were finally ready to go.

Less than five minutes from home, our well-traveled vehicle gave a little jump. My husband and I glanced at each other and looked away — a moment of denial. Again, the car lurched forward. And, then, that dreaded and unavoidable scarlet light pierced the dashboard: CHECK ENGINE. No! It wasn’t possible: Not to us. Not to our long-awaited vacation.

At the time, we thought our traveling misadventure was just about the worst thing that could happen to anybody. We weren’t even close to hearing an “Are we there yet?” and our trip had come to an utter halt.

Fortunately, we were able to solve our transportation problems the next day and begin our trip anew. The journeys of others described in this issue have not been so simple.

For students beginning the fall semester at Loyola College in New Orleans, their paths to school were more than ready to escape their meals.

The regular schedule for the Liturgy of the Word and Communion begins: Weekdays, 12:05 p.m.; Weekends: Sundays, 11 a.m., 7 p.m. and 10 a.m.

REUNION 2006!


May 19-May 21

Golden Hawks Reunion
Wed., May 17

See inside back cover for more information.

ATHLETICS

Women’s basketball
• Atlantic 10 opener vs. Duquesne, Tue., Jan. 3, Alumni Memorial Fieldhouse (7 p.m.).

• Atlantic 10 Tournament, Fri., Mar. 3-Mon., Mar. 6, Fieldhouse.

• 30th annual banquet, Wed., Apr. 12, Hilton City Avenue, reception (6:30 p.m.) and dinner (7 p.m.).

Men’s basketball
• Atlantic 10 opener vs. Xavier, Wed., Jan. 4, Fieldhouse (6 p.m.).

• Philadelphia Big 5 50th anniversary game vs. Villanova, Tue., Feb. 7, Palestra (7 p.m., ESPN2).


• 51st annual banquet, Fri., April 21, Hilton City Avenue, reception (6 p.m.) and dinner (7 p.m.).

Online: www.sjuhawks.com.

CAP AND BELLS

Blaut Theatre, Post Hall. Sunday shows begin at 2 p.m.; all others start at 8 p.m.: Who’s Afraid of Virginia Woolf? Feb. 16, 17, 18, 24, 25, 26.

Jekyll and Hyde: The Musical, Apr. 5, 6, 7, 8, 9

Contact: 610-660-1181 or capandbells@sju.edu. Online: www.sju.edu/capandbells.

CAREER DEVELOPMENT CENTER

• Spring Career Fair, Thu., Mar. 23, Alumni Memorial Fieldhouse (10 a.m.-2 p.m.). Job seekers and employers welcome.

• Hire a Hawk! Alumni can post jobs or internships for students for free.

For more information about all Career Development Center activities, visit www.sju.edu/careers or call 610-660-3100.

MINISTRY, FAITH, AND SERVICE

The regular schedule for the Liturgy of the Word and Eucharist in the Chapel of St. Joseph begins Sun., Jan. 22:

• Weekends: Sundays, 11 a.m., 7 p.m. and 10 a.m.

• Weekdays: 12:05 p.m.


UNIVERSITY GALLERY

• St Young Rhie (sculpture), Jan. 17-Feb. 16, Reception, Fri., Jan. 20 (6-8 p.m.).

• Derrin Albright, assistant professor of fine and performing arts (film), Feb. 27-Mar. 31. Reception, Fri., Mar. 17 (6-8 p.m.).

• Senior Thesis Exhibition, Apr. 7-21. Reception: Fri., Apr. 7, Erin K. Haub Center, McShain Hall (5-9 p.m.).

• “Identity,” collaborative exhibition of approximately 70 prints of student artwork from Nanjing (China) Art Institute and Saint Joseph’s University, Apr. 24-May 1, Haub Center, McShain Hall.

ON THE CALENDAR

ACADEMIC CALENDAR

Martin Luther King Day, no classes, Mon., Jan. 16.

First day of classes, Tue., Jan. 17.

Spring Break, Mon., Mar. 6-Fri., Mar. 10.

Easter Holiday, no classes, Fri., Apr. 14-Mon., Apr. 17.

Note: Evening and graduate programs are off on Holy Thursday, Apr. 13, and continue on Mon., Apr. 17.

Last day of classes:
• Undergraduate students, Fri., Apr. 28.
• Graduate and evening students, Sat., Apr. 29.

Final exams:
• Undergraduate students, May 1-5, Sat., May 6.

Commencement:
• Undergraduate students, Sat., May 13 (9 a.m.).
• Undergraduate students, Sat., May 13 (3 p.m.).
• Baccalaureate Mass, Sun., May 14 (11 a.m.).

Online: www.sju.edu/sju/academic_calendars.html.

ACADEMIC EVENTS

Diversity Lecture Series, Wednesdays, Presidents’ Lounge, Campion Student Center (4-6 p.m.):
• “Leadership by Action and Not by Design,” Myrtle Evers-Williams, chairman emerita of the NAACP board of directors, Jan. 25.

• “Race: Exploring America’s Agenda,” Kwesi Mfruitu, former president and CEO of the NAACP, Feb. 1.

• “When I Was a Puerto Rican,” Emeralda Santiago, author and co-founder of Cantomenta, Mar. 29.

College of Arts and Sciences Deans Colloquia, Thursdays, Presidents’ Lounge (11:30 a.m.-1 p.m.):
• Thomas Halasinski, Ph.D., assistant professor of chemistry, Feb. 23.
• Robin Vann Lynch, Ed.D., assistant professor of education, Mar. 23.
• Thomas Buckley, assistant professor of foreign languages and literatures, Apr. 27.

17th Annual Sigma Xi Student Research Symposium, Sat., Apr. 22, Wollongong Teletorium, Mandeville Hall.

Contact: Kathleen McGinty, Esq. ’85 (B.S.), secretary for the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection and SJU trustee. Student research poster session, Campion Student Center.

Contact: Mike McCann, Ph.D. ’87 (B.S.), SJU Sigma Xi secretary, associate dean of the College of Arts and Sciences, and professor of biology, 610-660-1823 or jmccann@sju.edu. Online: www.sju.edu/honor-society/sigma-xi.

Smart and Associates Business Policy Competition and reception, Fri., Apr. 28, Teletorium, Mandeville Hall (4-7 p.m.).

ADMISSIONS

Graduate Programs in the College of Arts and Sciences and in the Erivan K. Haub School of Business

For information about graduate programs and upcoming Open Houses, contact Graduate Admissions at 888-SJU-GRAD or graduate@sju.edu. Campus visits are scheduled throughout the year.

Online: www.sju.edu/sju/gradadmissions.html.

Undergraduate Programs

Discover SJU Days, Mon., Fri., and selected Sat. in the spring semester (1 p.m.). Register at Bronstein Hall at 12:30 p.m.

Campus tours, Tues., Wed., and Thu. in the spring semester and summer (10 a.m., 1 p.m., and 3 p.m.).

Online registration and information: www.sju.edu/admissions.

University College

For information on upcoming Open Houses or to schedule an advising appointment, contact University College at 877-NITE-SJU or ucs@sju.edu.

Online: www.sju.edu/uc.

ALUMNI

Legacy Day, Fri., Apr. 28.

18th Annual Hawk Hoop Open, Mon., June 5, Rolling Green Golf Club, Springfield, Pa. (12:30 p.m., shotgun start).

Online: www.sju.edu/alumni.
Saint Joseph’s University has earned its best-ever ranking from U.S. News & World Report, which rated the university tied for ninth in the category Best Universities-Master's (North) in its 2006 “America’s Best Colleges” edition.

The ranking bests the No. 10 achieved by Saint Joseph’s both last year and five years ago, and is four slots up from 2004’s No. 13 tie and six slots up from 2003’s 15th-place tie. The U.S. News Best Universities-Master's (North) category comprises 165 colleges and universities.

Saint Joseph’s has placed in the Top 15 for 10 straight years.

The University improved in several significant areas over 2005, including peer assessment, average freshman retention and graduation rates, average alumni giving rate, and overall score.

“Changing long-held perceptions is difficult work, yet our efforts are paying off,” said University President Timothy R. Lannon, S.J. “Such important initiatives as the purchase of Episcopal Academy’s Merion campus, the hiring of more than 50 new full-time faculty members over the next five years, the recruitment of continually stronger freshman classes, and our recommitment to mission and identity vividly demonstrate a determination to create the kind of life-changing and empowering experience envisioned by St. Ignatius when he founded the Society of Jesus more than 450 years ago.”

**BUSINESS ETHICS CENTER HOSTS INAUGURAL CONFERENCE**

Saint Joseph’s Pedro Arrupe Center for Business Ethics held its inaugural conference, “Pricing and Access to Drugs in the Developed and Developing World,” in October. The conference included talks and a panel discussion by pharmaceutical industry leaders, experts, and professors from the Erivan K. Haub School of Business.

Merrill Goozner, author of $800 Million Drug, director of integrity in science for the Center for Science in the Public Interest and former chief economics correspondent for the Chicago Tribune, discussed the controversial issue of pharmaceutical industry drug pricing.

“Americans pay the highest prices in the world for drugs because we do the least in order to control the prices,” he said. “But the pharmaceutical industry’s view on the reason behind the high drug pricing is a different story.”

Others participating in the conference included John McCall, Ph.D., director of the center; Elizabeth Ashbourne, Private Sector Partnerships, the AIDS campaign team for Africa, World Bank; Carolyn Choh-Fleming, visiting professor of pharmaceutical marketing; Thomas W. Dunfee, Joseph Kolodny Professor of Social Responsibility in Business, Legal Studies, and Business Ethics at the Wharton School, University of Pennsylvania; Ronald F. Duska, Ph.D., Lamont Post Chair of Ethics and the Professions, the American College; Eric Floyd, Ph.D. ’02 (M.B.A.), vice president, global head, respiratory, dermatological, and infectious diseases, Drug Regulatory Affairs, Novartis Pharmaceutical Corporations; Nigel Gregson, principal, PriceSpective, Pharmaceutical Industry Pricing Strategy Consultants; Thanigavelan Jambulingam, Ph.D., associate professor and chair of pharmaceutical marketing at SJU; and Samir Khalil, executive director, HIV policy and external affairs, human health — Europe, Middle East, and Asia, Merck and Co.

Gretchen Burke, chair of the Episcopal Academy Board of Trustees, and University President Timothy R. Lannon, S.J., sign the agreement of sale August 17 at Episcopal.

Online: www.sju.edu/arrupe

(From left) McCall, Gregson, Duska, the Arrupe Center’s David Steingard, Ph.D., and Ashbourne
**FRESHMAN PARTICIPATION, FILM SERIES HIGHLIGHT “SJU READS”**

For the first time, incoming freshmen this year participated in SJU Reads, a ongoing campus-wide program designed to promote the discussion of Ignatian values in the classroom and the wider population.

The fall semester’s selection was *Mountains Beyond Mountains: The Quest of Dr. Paul Farmer, A Man Who Would Cure the World*, by Tracy Kidder. More than 50 faculty members were present at academic orientation to discuss the book, and it was incorporated into 52 classes across the College of Arts and Sciences and the Erivan K. Haub School of Business, including graduate and University College courses.

The book focuses on Dr. Farmer, who in 1987 co-founded Partners In Health, a nonprofit organization that has addressed the medical needs of hundreds of thousands of patients in Haiti, Peru, Russia, and Boston, as well as changed the way the medical world approaches the treatment of diseases such as multidrug-resistant tuberculosis and AIDS.

Nancy Fox, Ph.D., associate dean of the College of Arts & Sciences, noted that *Mountains Beyond Mountains* was an easy choice for this semester “because it is a well-written and engaging story. It raises questions that relate directly to our Jesuit mission to be men and women for others. Its themes connect to so much of what we study here.”

SJU Reads also works with programs and departments to develop activities related to the book selection. The highlight of this year’s supplemental programming was “Health Care and Human Rights: A Film Series,” organized by Jeffrey Hyson, Ph.D., assistant professor of history.

Online: www.sju.edu/libraries/drexel/sjureads/haiti.htm
**SJU Shares in State Research Grant with CHOP**

The Children's Hospital of Philadelphia (CHOP), in collaboration with Saint Joseph's University, Children's Hospital of Pittsburgh, Lehigh Valley Hospital, and Drexel University, received $5 million from the Pennsylvania Department of Health to compare the effectiveness of two behavioral therapies for reducing smoking in depressed adolescents in underserved minority communities.

“Today we're involved in such a large-scale study provides Saint Joseph’s graduate students an opportunity to learn from premier researchers, and also enables them to become the next generation of researchers in an important area which will help our nation's youth,” said Jodi Mindell, Ph.D., professor of psychology and director of graduate studies in psychology at Saint Joseph’s.

The objective of the four-year grant is to establish a Center of Excellence at CHOP, which will create a statewide, collaborative research network to develop and test effective treatments for reducing adolescent smoking and related behavior using two types of therapy. In addition, the Center will promote several educational activities including post-doctoral research fellows, a research assistantship at Saint Joseph’s, and eventually a long-distance training program for physicians and other health care providers.

The Pennsylvania Department of Health is using $20 million from its share of the national tobacco settlement funds to develop centers of excellence in behavioral therapies for reducing smoking and related behavior using two types of therapy. In addition, the Center will promote several educational activities including post-doctoral research fellows, a research assistantship at Saint Joseph’s, and eventually a long-distance training program for physicians and other health care providers.

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**Partnership with Indian Medical Center Establishes Unique M.A.**

Saint Joseph’s recently launched a partnership with Kovai Medical Center Research and Educational Trust (KMCRET), a Coimbatore, India-based organization focusing on education, training, and research, to offer its master’s program in health and hospital administration. The program is the first of its kind in India.

John J. Newhouse, Ph.D., assistant professor of health services, will direct the 18-month master’s program, which will prepare students for managerial and administrative positions in the health and hospital domain. Indian students who apply and are accepted will begin the program in July at KMCRET, and will travel to Saint Joseph’s to complete their coursework in the summer of 2006.

“Globally, the health-care industry is estimated at $3 trillion, and the demand for quality health care in India is expected to increase at a rapid rate of 13 percent,” said Susan Kassab, director of admissions. “Students who finish this program will have a unique perspective on health care taken from their experiences in both India and America.”

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**NSF Renews GeoKids with $1.7M Grant**

Professor of biology Karen Snetselaar, Ph.D., has received a five-year, $1.7 million National Science Foundation (NSF) grant to renew GeoKids LINKS, a program that delivers hands-on science programming in the Philadelphia School District.

GeoKids LINKS sends Saint Joseph’s undergraduate and graduate students into elementary schools to develop and teach hands-on science programs that increase science literacy in traditionally underserved neighborhoods.

Continuing to partner with the University in this endeavor is the Wagner Free Institute of Science, a natural history museum dedicated to science education. While the two will work primarily with the Philadelphia School District, they’ll also expand GeoKids by collaborating with Saint Joseph’s Service-Learning students doing coursework at the Gesu, a Jesuit school in North Philadelphia.

According to Dr. Snetselaar, the program’s science-outreach component, in which future scientists learn to communicate more clearly about the sciences, appeals greatly to NSF.

“We are one of only a handful of non-Ph.D. granting institutions that have been able to swing this funding,” she added. “It’s because of the partnership, which is very strong, and because there’s a need in Philadelphia schools.”

Online: www.sju.edu/biology/ksweb/GK12/main.html

The University hosted 400 second through fifth grade students from Meade, Reynolds, and Kearney elementary schools in Philadelphia for a year-end celebration of the GeoKids LINKS program in June. Students participated in a number of science-related games and activities requiring teamwork and critical thinking skills.
SPOTLIGHT ON STUDENTS

TWO JUNIORS RECOGNIZED WITH SCHOLARSHIPS

Saint Joseph’s junior Rebecca Meyers was named a 2005 Network of Executive Women Scholar. Meyers is one of only six students nationwide to receive this year’s scholarship.

The Network of Executive Women (NEW) Scholarship is a $1,500 award given annually to junior marketing majors in a retail-marketing program at a U.S. university. Applicants must maintain at least a 3.0 GPA. NEW is a professional organization whose mission is to attract, retain, and advance women in the consumer products and retail industry through education, leadership, and business development.

While not in class, Meyers works at Bloomingdales in Willow Grove, Pa. “I’m considering a career in some kind of retail management, and I have a chance to move up in my current job,” she said. “I decided to apply for the scholarship because it was a good opportunity to combine my retail ambitions and my education.”

Third-year student Diana A. Silva has been named the Pan American Association’s 2005 Alejandro Reyes Scholarship recipient for her outstanding excellence in Latin American studies. She received a $1,500 stipend for school expenses.

The Bethlehem, Pa., resident is pursuing a double major in international relations and political science, with a minor in Latin American studies. She is a member of the Phi Beta Kappa honor society and is fluent in Portuguese and Spanish. Silva spent the fall semester interning in Washington, D.C., with the Center for International Policy, a think tank that focuses on international issues with emphasis on the Latin American region.

“I gained a wealth of experience and knowledge during my time in D.C., which has influenced me to focus further studies on the region,” said Silva.

The Alejandro Reyes Scholarship is presented to a third-year student attending one of the universities of the Greater Philadelphia area and majoring in Latin American studies.

JESUIT STUDENT LEADERS MEET ON HAWK HILL

Saint Joseph’s hosted the 2005 National Jesuit Student Leadership Conference, “Go Forth and Set the World on Fire,” in July. The conference mission was to bring together student leaders to collaborate on how to serve their colleges and universities better in the Jesuit tradition. More than 200 students from 25 of the 28 Jesuit universities across the country attended.

Founded in 1997 by a group of Jesuit university students who wanted to improve student leadership on their campuses, the conference is hosted each year by a different Jesuit school. Conference participants are involved in all areas of student leadership including community service, residence life, orientation, and various other clubs and university organizations.

Pat Croce, former president of the Philadelphia 76ers and author of the New York Times bestseller I Feel Great and You Will Too, was the keynote speaker.

“It is a unique experience being with students from other Jesuit schools,” said Amanda Neuber ’04 (B.S.), graduate assistant for the conference. “Being from a Jesuit institution, these students deal with the same problems we deal with at St. Joe’s. Everyone is able to learn something from each other.”

“Our hope is that through the conference, we will leave all attendees charged with the mission and responsibility of being a light and to never stop striving for the greater, and bringing what we have learned through our Jesuit education to the world around us,” said External Affairs Chair Brian Rizman ’06 (Wall, N.J.).

Online: www.sju.edu/NJSLC/

GRADUATE STUDENT TRACKS TERRAPINS

Stephanie Szerlag, a graduate biology student, has spent considerable time at the New Jersey Shore over the last two summers. She’s been tracking diamondback terrapin populations, classified as a “species of special concern,” and trying to determine what role automobile traffic plays in its mortality rates.

Under the direction of her adviser, Scott McRobert, Ph.D., professor of biology, Szerlag contacted the Rutgers University Marine Field Station in Little Egg Harbor Township, N.J., and proposed a collaboration. She wanted to gauge whether traffic patterns at the Shore affected the road mortality rate of the diamondback terrapin.

Szerlag set up equipment at the Marine Field Station, as well as along a five-mile stretch of Great Bay Boulevard in Tuckerton, N.J., to track traffic amounts and vehicle speed. Her 2004 research indicated that terrapin mortality rates were much greater in sections of the road with higher traffic volume. Last summer’s work turned up less of a correlation; Szerlag suspects a shorter nesting season and a more even traffic flow up and down the road as possible causes.

Szerlag and Dr. McRobert’s article on the 2004 results has been accepted by the Journal of Applied Herpetology, and she presented posters at major scientific conferences in San Diego and Anchorage, Alaska.
S P O T L I G H T O N F A C U L T Y

Political Science / BASSAM HADDAD, PH.D.

When Bassam Haddad, Ph.D., joined Saint Joseph's political science department as an assistant professor two years ago, it was an opportunity to merge cura personalis with his belief in critical thought. “I liked [Saint Joseph’s] message focusing on peace and justice,” he said. “My agenda — which focuses more on justice than peace — allows me to be an active part of the University’s goal.

“I challenge my students to question the information they receive, and in return, it gives me hope that there are young people that appreciate the potential beauty of the world, under different circumstances.”

A writer, lecturer, and activist, Dr. Haddad recently added motion picture director to his repertoire. In 2004, his work to further the causes of social justice led him to direct the award-winning independent film, About Baghdad. The documentary recorded the 2003 return of an exiled Iraqi poet and writer back to the country.

Dr. Haddad shares his vision throughout campus by advising two student organizations. The Students for Peace and Justice group at Saint Joseph’s works to address equality issues on campus. MEtc (Middle East Etcetera), the second organization, screens films about social change and facilitates discussion about global politics.

In addition to his pedagogic and research responsibilities, Dr. Haddad continues as editor for the peer-reviewed, research-based Arab Studies Journal, which he founded in 1992. He’s working on a teaching project on terrorism; a book on the political economy of Syria; and an article and political documentary on the discourse of terrorism.

“I work to encourage everyone to take a step back and seek to fully understand the knowledge they are being presented,” he said. “Be critical in processing the information you are receiving as well as knowledge you already possess.”

Online: www.sju.edu/cas/political-science/Faculty/haddad.htm, www.ArabStudiesJournal.org

Management / DAVID STEINGARD, PH.D.

The multitude of recent corporate scandals has eroded the country’s confidence in ethical business practices and have pushed American’s trust level in corporate leadership to an all-time low.

In response to this growing concern, the Erivan K. Haub School of Business established the Pedro Arrupe Center for Business Ethics in fall 2004 to integrate ethics into the Haub School’s teaching and research agendas. (See page three.)

David Steingard, Ph.D., assistant professor of management, is assistant director of the center.

“Business ethics is as much of a learnable skill as any other area of business, such as marketing or management,” said Dr. Steingard. He is working to create new programs to further existing efforts to incorporate ethics teaching in classrooms. “My main goal is to work with other faculty to enroll them in a variety of opportunities to integrate ethics into their work,” he said. “We are looking to provide resources and support for faculty research dealing with ethical themes, and help them to include ethical content in their courses.

“Most business practices do not integrate ethics up front, but deal with them as an afterthought,” Dr. Steingard added. “If people were adequately trained and more knowledgeable, they would be able to make better business decisions.”

A faculty member in the Haub School of Business since 1999, Dr. Steingard’s areas of interest include spirituality and management, organizational behavior, ethics, leadership, and diversity.

Dr. Steingard received his doctorate in organizational behavior from Case Western Reserve University. He earned his master’s degree in organization/speech communication and bachelor’s degree in business administration, both from the University of Illinois.

Online: www.sju.edu/hsb/mgt/pages/faculty/steingard/steingard.html
**PEOPLE**

**FORMER WHITE HOUSE OFFICIAL EMPHASIZES EDUCATION FOR THE “COMMON GOOD”**

Acclaimed political scientist John J. DiIulio, Ph.D., said that for Saint Joseph’s and other Catholic universities to be leaders in the 21st century, they must “genuinely reflect and embody the Church’s concept of the common good.” The former director of the White House Office of Faith-Based and Community Initiatives delivered the penultimate lecture in the President’s Symposium on Mission and Identity in September.

“Educating for the common good entails certain political, social, moral, intellectual, and, last but certainly not least, spiritual obligations,” said Dr. DiIulio, Frederic Fox Leadership Professor at the University of Pennsylvania and co-chair of the Robert A. Fox Leadership Program’s Director’s Advisory Group.

He suggested that Catholic universities consider financially supporting inner-city diocesan schools, which have been closing due to declining urban enrollments. By using their fiscal resources to increase access to quality education, Catholic colleges can help to reduce long-term poverty, Dr. DiIulio said. Intellectually, they are obliged to investigate why Catholics are less likely than those in other religions to volunteer, give to secular charities, and engage in political life and civic activism. Spiritually, he called on Catholic schools to ensure that students, faculty, and staff are “intellectually conversant, if not fluent, in the ideas that animate and anchor the place.”

**DIVERSITY LECTURE SERIES FEATURES FORMER SECRETARY OF EDUCATION**

“Can there be peace, respect, and unity among a population that is divided by education in a society that places such emphasis on education?” asked Rod Paige, former U.S. Secretary of Education, in the first of the 2005-06 Diversity Lecture Series, sponsored by the Office of Multicultural Life. Paige, the first school superintendent ever to serve as Secretary of Education, is a strong advocate of President Bush’s No Child Left Behind Act of 2001.

“Whatever happens in the future, education will be a major determinant of our well-being,” said Paige, before he revealed some shocking statistics on the reading levels of fourth grade students across the country. Forty-one percent of white fourth graders and 38 percent of Asian-Pacific fourth graders can read proficiently while only 13 percent of African-American fourth graders and 15 percent of Hispanic fourth graders can read proficiently.

“Our major goal in the U.S. is to fix the education system so that all students have an opportunity,” he stated. “It is the Civil Rights Act of our time. It is our most important social responsibility.”

Online: www.sju.edu/STUDENT_LIFE/multicultural_life/

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**9/11 COMMISSIONER JOHN LEHMAN ’64 DISCUSSES THE WAR ON TERROR**

John Lehman, Ph.D. ’64 (B.S.), former Secretary of the Navy under President Reagan and a member of the 9/11 Commission, returned to campus in September to discuss “The War on Islamist Terrorism.” He addressed the threats to the U.S. by terrorists, dispelled myths surrounding terrorist groups, and outlined ways in which the country can prevent attacks.

“Jihads are being created faster than we can ever expect to fight or kill them with a war in Iraq,” he said. “The Middle East is an area of the world that has not been of interest to the intellectual community. We have totally slept while this threat emerged, and our government is not set up to handle it.”

Although we are safer today than before 9/11, Dr. Lehman said, it is only to a limited degree. Looking at the situation in New Orleans after Hurricane Katrina, he suggested that our first response and crisis management preparedness are nowhere near ready to handle another terrorist attack in a place like New York or Philadelphia.

“With the chaos in New Orleans,” Dr. Lehman warned, “you can see what a nuclear weapon going off in New York City will do to our country and economy.

“We don’t have time to chew on the problem. We need to focus our efforts now and put pressure on our politicians to address the issue. There are very manageable things we can do; they will not be done by FEMA or by City Hall. They will be done by people who take a stand. If we do this, we will prevail.”

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Paige and Shoshanna Edwards-Alexander, Ed.D. ’05, director of multicultural life at

Lehman ’64 (B.S.)

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SJU ALUMNI SERVE IN APPALACHIA

Each year during spring break, hundreds of Saint Joseph’s undergraduates travel to towns throughout the Appalachian regions of Kentucky and West Virginia to work on community projects, build friendships, learn about the local people, and immerse themselves in a different part of American culture. This summer a group of alumni followed their lead for a week of service and community building with the communities of Phelps, Kent.

The Alumni Association encourages and supports graduates in their lives of faith and service to others through the organization of service programs. Project Appalachia influences the minds and hearts of many undergraduates during their time at Saint Joseph’s. The alumni Appalachia trip, in turn, offered graduates the opportunity to renew, or discover for the first time, that powerful experience.

Thomas Devlin ’04 (B.A.), alumni service team member, said, “I first went on Project Appalachia as a freshman, and the experience of faith and service fundamentally impacted my worldview. From that point on, I knew I needed to be involved in opportunities that bridged the perceived gap between people and groups in our society.”

“Project Appalachia has changed my life,” Carolyn Lucey ’04 (B.A.) reflected. “Coming back on an alumni trip was an easy decision for me. If I leave with what I have learned at Saint Joseph’s, what has meant more to who I am than anything, and don’t continue with it throughout my life, then I really didn’t learn at all.”

Online: alumni.sju.edu/alumni_service.html

ESSAY CONTEST FOR AREA YOUTH SENDS WINNERS TO BASKETBALL CAMPS

In May, the Office of Government and Community Relations partnered with the athletic department to sponsor an essay contest for area youth in third through eighth grade. They were asked to write an essay in response to the question “What makes your school special?”

A panel of judges read the essays and 10 winners were chosen from the many entries. Cherish Smith, Kareema Wilson, Arianna Polk, Aleana Polk, and Alesha Daniels were awarded one fully paid scholarship to Cindy Griffin’s Day Basketball Camp for Girls. Scholarship winners to Phil Martelli’s Offensive Skills Camp for Boys were Ephraim Gedeon, Goran Anthony Murray, Anthony Walker, Brandon Fulton, and Khalid Mosley.

“We were excited to be able to sponsor this contest and then actually watch the kids in action at camp,” stated Patty Martin ’05 (B.A.) of SJU’s government and community relations office. “It was a rewarding experience for all involved.”

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STUDENTS DEVELOP WEB SITE FOR OVERBROOK PARK CIVIC ASSOCIATION

Last spring students in an introduction to information systems class were assigned a project to develop an e-commerce Web site. As part of the assignment, they created a prototype Web site and a PowerPoint presentation to pitch to venture capitalists. The timing for the e-commerce project was perfect, because the Overbrook Park Civic Association was looking for assistance in building a Web site at the same time.

“This project was a great opportunity for students to use what they learn in the classroom in a real-world environment,” said Patrick Devine ’93 (B.S.) ’98 (M.B.A.), visiting instructor in the Department of Decision and System Sciences, who taught the introductory course. “It allowed them to combine their skills in business and technology to give back to the community.”

At the end of the semester, three groups of four students presented their ideas to the Overbrook Park Civic Association. The winning team included Jayme Gravenstine ’08 (Moorestown, N.J.), Diana Minervini ’08 (Southampton, N.J.), Chaz Ramos ’08 (Cherry Hill, N.J.), and Christina Sadowski ’01 (B.S.).

Jon Paul Beauchamp and Megan Long Beauchamp ’98 (B.S.), ’99 (M.B.A.), representatives of the Overbrook Park Civic Association, served as judges for the presentations.

“It was a great project for all involved,” observed Devine. “The Overbrook Park Civic Association got some of the best and brightest Saint Joseph’s students to develop an information portal to help it better serve the people in the neighborhood.”

Online: www.overbrook.net

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ON CAMPUS

SJU Named One of Philadelphia’s Best Places to Work

Saint Joseph’s was named one of the area’s 40 best places to work by the Philadelphia Business Journal in August.

The award recognizes the University’s efforts to foster a dynamic work environment that attracts and retains employees through a combination of benefits, working conditions, and core values.

Saint Joseph’s was one of 150 employers nominated from Montgomery, Chester, Delaware, Gloucester, Burlington, Camden, Bucks, and Philadelphia counties.

More than 250 Saint Joseph’s employees responded to a survey within a six-week period following the nomination, despite the summer timeframe.

“One of the unique characteristics of Saint Joseph’s University is the lived experience of Jesuit values, particularly a love of learning, academic and professional achievement, service to others, and social justice,” said Sharon Eisenmann, director of human resources. “There are numerous opportunities to incorporate one’s personal values, such as a commitment to community service, into one’s work.”

New MacLean Chair Explores the Brothers Grimm

G. Ronald Murphy, S.J., Saint Joseph’s Donald I. MacLean, S.J., Chair in the Department of Foreign Languages and Literatures, explored how the Brothers Grimm blended faith traditions in their fairy tales at the annual McLean Chair Lecture in September.

Fr. Murphy, a professor of German at Georgetown University, explained how the Grimms’ place in the Romantic age affected their writing: “The Grimms used influences from the evolution of time in their tales. The difference between literature and poetry is realization versus fact, and the Grimms wrote to have their readers come to a realization by the end of the story.”

Using the Little Red Riding Hood legend, Fr. Murphy explained how the Grimms combined faiths in their stories. The Christian imagery comes into the story in the extended ending that the Grimms wrote.

“In other versions, Red Riding Hood and her grandmother were eaten, and that was the end of the story,” Fr. Murphy said, “and [other writers] attached a moral to the end of the story. But the Grimms didn’t use morals. They showed that, through the woodsman, the two could be saved.”

Campus News Briefs

- “We all have a responsibility to carry our faith into our everyday lives,” U.S. Representative Chaka Fattah (D-Pa.) told a campus audience when he spoke as part of the Nicholas S. Rashford, S.J., Faith in Action Speaker Series. “Some say that we need more religion in our life,” Fattah said, “but I suggest that we need more life in our religion. We need to take action with our faith.”

- Saint Joseph’s hosted the Philadelphia Fire Department and Philadelphia Recreation Department’s annual Fire Prevention Drama Contest this summer. The contest featured children from recreation facilities throughout the city performing in one-act plays that promote the values of year-round fire prevention and safety. “It’s an excellent way for the children to learn about and promote a fire safety message through their local recreation center,” said Bob Drennen, director of the Public Safety Institute and a retired battalion chief with the Philadelphia Fire Department.

- The Jewish-Catholic Institute hosted a program commemorating the conclusion of the Second Vatican Council in December 1965 and the 40th anniversary of the promulgation by the Council of the document Nostra Aetate (In Our Time). The program’s speakers included Eugene Fisher, Ph.D., associate director of the Secretariat for Ecumenical and Interreligious Affairs of the National Conference of Catholic Bishops, in charge of Jewish-Catholic relations, and Rabbi James Rudin, senior interreligious advisor for the American Jewish Committee.

- Saint Joseph’s was among an elite group of schools, including all of the Ivy League institutions, represented at the Experiences 2005 (E2K5) information fair in Singapore this summer. Alexis Woo, a Saint Joseph’s sophomore originally from Singapore, remarked, “I have come to understand that even though St. Joe’s might not have the brand recognition that Princeton, Harvard, and Cornell have in Singapore, we will soon enter the market with a boom.”

- The Erivan K. Haub School of Business hosted a Global Biotechnology Communicators conference over the summer, sponsored by the Canadian Biotechnology Secretariat, the Food Policy Institute of Rutgers University, and SJU. Renowned experts from around the world including all of the Ivy League institutions, represented at the Experiences 2005 (E2K5) information fair in Singapore this summer. Alexis Woo, a Saint Joseph’s sophomore originally from Singapore, remarked, “I have come to understand that even though St. Joe’s might not have the brand recognition that Princeton, Harvard, and Cornell have in Singapore, we will soon enter the market with a boom.”

- The fall Outreach Lecture, “U.S. Immigration Policy: The Challenges Ahead,” featured Susan Martin, Ph.D., visiting professor at Georgetown University and director of its Institute for the Study of International Migration and Certificate Program on Refugees and Humanitarian Emergencies. She previously served as executive director of the U.S. Commission on Immigration Reform, established by legislation to advise Congress and the president on U.S. immigration and refugee policy.
ATHLETICS HALL OF FAME WELCOMES 7TH CLASS

Saint Joseph's honored its seventh Athletics Hall of Fame Class at the annual Hall of Fame Gala in September. Highlighting this year's class was Hall of Fame broadcaster Jack Whitaker '47 (B.A.). The Emmy Award-winner established himself as one of the nation's most recognizable television voices in over five decades behind the microphone. He made his mark locally at WCAU before moving on to national acclaim with both CBS and ABC Sports. During his memorable career he covered such signature events as the Super Bowl, the Summer and Winter Olympics, U.S. Open Tennis, all three legs of horse racing's Triple Crown, and all four of golf's major championships.

The six-member Class of 2005 includes (above, left to right): Pat McFarland '73 (B.S.), who helped men's basketball to three straight postseason appearances; the late Andy Dougherty '48 (B.S.), the University's long-time sports information director (see page 32) who was represented by his son, Larry '82 (B.S.), '94 (M.B.A.); Cathy (Phillips) Schino '94 (B.S.), who helped the Hawk softball team to its first-ever postseason appearance; Katie (Curry) Gardler '93 (B.S.), '96 (M.B.A.), the 1993 Atlantic 10 Most Valuable Player in women's basketball; Whitaker; and Chris O'Brien '92 (B.S.), a former U.S. national team rower.

SJU GOLFERS COMPETE IN U.S. AMATEUR CHAMPIONSHIP

Saint Joseph's golfers Billy Stewart '06 (Devon, Pa.) and Ryan Barnett '08 (Syosset, N.Y.) are among the players who competed in the 2005 U.S. Amateur Championship at the storied Merion Golf Club in Ardmore from August 22 through 28.

Saint Joseph's was one of the few schools to be represented by more than one player in the championship field of 312. Stewart is a two-time U.S. Amateur qualifier. In 2003, he became the first freshman in conference history to take home the Atlantic 10 Performer of the Year and A-10 Rookie of the Year honors. After missing 2003-04 with a hand injury, Stewart returned in 2004-05 to post six top 10 finishes and lead the Hawks with a stroke average of 73.6. In 2002, before he entered Saint Joseph's, Stewart won the 2002 Philadelphia Amateur at age 18, tying the mark as the youngest Amateur winner in the Golf Association of Philadelphia history.

Barnett compiled a stroke average of 79.0 in his first season with the Hawks, with a low round of 72. He earned one of the three qualifying spots from the New York area, shooting a 74-69 and then winning a three-man playoff with a birdie on the first hole.

NCAA LIFE SKILLS GRANT TO ENHANCE STUDENT-ATHLETE EXPERIENCE

Saint Joseph's has been selected for inclusion in the NCAA CHAMPS/Life Skills Program, making the University one of 34 institutions and conference offices that have been selected into the program's Class of 2006. The program is being coordinated on 513 campuses and conference offices nationwide, affecting thousands of student-athletes daily. Chris Bagley, assistant advisor for student-athletes, has been designated as the CHAMPS/Life Skills coordinator for Saint Joseph's.

Although Saint Joseph's already has its own Life Skills program, which was modeled after the NCAA's program, induction into the CHAMPS program will enhance the endeavor and allow student-athletes to become involved on a national level.

"Being a part of this program gives us an opportunity to broaden our spectrum," Bagley explained. "We now have additional resources and funding, and there are opportunities for our student-athletes to take part in leadership events."

Online: www.sjuhawks.com

HAWK FANS TURN OUT FOR MIDNIGHT MADNESS

Men's basketball guard Dwayne Lee '06 (Jersey City, N.J.) enjoyed the enthusiasm of Hawk fans at Midnight Madness in October.
When the Senate Judiciary Committee wants to discuss antitrust issues in the aviation industry, Kent George is one of the first people summoned to the nation’s capital.

And when North America’s top airport executives convened in Toronto last September, George was on the dais as moderator of the opening roundtable discussion of critical issues facing the airline industry in both Canada and the United States.

In short, George, 58, is one of the leaders of the aviation industry worldwide. Executive director of the Allegheny County Airport Authority in Pittsburgh, he oversees the airport’s $135 million operating budget. This former chairman of the American Association of Airport Executives was elected chairman of the Airports Council International, North America, in early 2005.

In this role, George is the voice and face for the U.S. airport industry in dealing with the Bush Administration, Congress, and the plethora of federal agencies that govern aviation-related operations.

Two of George’s priorities as the chairman of Airports Council International are to make airports more secure as well as to lobby for changes in U.S. bankruptcy laws to make it harder for airlines to do what U.S. Airways did at his airport back in 2003.

“Airport security has improved immensely since 9/11, but I still don’t think that we’re properly using all of our assets yet,” said George. “Safety is our No.1 priority, and we’re always looking for ways to make our airports even more secure. However, in this country, we’re still inconveniencing millions of airline travelers with slower-than-it-has-to-be searches when there is technology out there to help airports search bags in a quick, timely, and more thorough fashion.”

Not surprisingly, George is using that technology. Earlier this year, Pittsburgh’s airport became one of the first in the country to deploy an automated, $14.5 million baggage system that checks for explosives. Under the new system, checked bags are placed on a belt that directs them to the equipment used to scan for explosives. Travelers are then able to go directly to the security checkpoint and their gate while their luggage is being screened. Bags then are transported to the appropriate flight.

Coming up with solutions to intricate business problems is nothing new for George. Prior to becoming executive director of Pittsburgh’s airport in 1998, he was the director of the Quad City Airport in Moline, Ill., for a decade. During his tenure there, George increased competition among the airlines at Quad City, greatly expanded its cargo trade (from three million pounds a year to 70 million), and spearheaded a terminal expansion project worth more than $20 million.

George also came up with a unique solution for area residents who complained about jet noise: He built a 1,500-acre farm and its accompanying corn crop around Quad City Airport to limit the noise complaints — and the crop revenues were literally plowed back into the airport budget.

George’s outside-the-box thinking, his leadership skills, and his knack for obtaining federal money caught the attention of the folks in the Steel City, who hired him to oversee operations at Pittsburgh International Airport in Findlay and Allegheny County Airport in West Mifflin in 1998.

“It was under Kent’s leadership that the airport was transferred from a political subdivision, the county, to a quasi-independent agency, the Airport Authority,” said Jeffrey W. Letwin, a managing partner at the Pittsburgh law firm Schnader Harrison Segal &
Letwin has always been impressed with George's leadership skills, particularly when U.S. Airways, which maintained a hub in Pittsburgh, declared Chapter 11 bankruptcy in 2003. The airport had done everything that U.S. Airways had asked, including upgrading facilities and concessions; yet the local community would have been left on the hook had George not stepped in and skillfully negotiated.

“Kent has made it his business to understand the crucial bottom-line elements of running an airline,” said Letwin. “This made him a very tough and effective negotiator, most recently when Pittsburgh International’s No. 1 carrier [U.S. Airways] filed for bankruptcy. Under Kent’s leadership, the airport did not back down from its obligation to ensure that the airline fulfilled its obligations to the airport. He exhibited expert negotiating skills in realigning gates, collecting amounts due the airport, and regaining control of facilities so they could be more effectively deployed.”

With the number of U.S. Airways flights down from more than 500 per day before September 11 to roughly 230 today, George needed to find another major airline to fly through Pittsburgh. Once again, he succeeded, helping to lure Southwest Airlines, which began flying out of Pittsburgh this past spring.

“Kent’s an effective leader because of his uncompromising commitment to maintaining the highest ethical standards in the organization and his refusal to let adverse circumstances set back the organization he runs,” said Letwin. “When most pundits were bemoaning the airport’s future without its major carrier, and some of the political leadership in the region went so far as suggesting that the airport become the first airport to default on its bonds, Kent wouldn’t hear of it.”

Ask George about the keys to his success and he looks to a decision he made in the early 1980s. Even then, George’s daily to-do list was quite lengthy, between his duties as the director of the Reading (Pa.) Regional Airport and those of being a husband and the father of two young daughters, Kari and Jennifer.

So, what did George do? He took on more responsibility. “My wife and I wanted to be able to provide as well as we possibly could for our daughters, and I felt I needed to get an advanced degree to separate myself from others in the aviation management field,” said George, who at the time already owned a bachelor’s degree in aviation management from Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University in Daytona, Fla., and was a trained pilot. “I just wasn’t sure if getting an M.B.A. or a law degree would be more helpful, so I started investigating both.”

In the end, George chose to enroll in the Saint Joseph’s University’s M.B.A. program offered at nearby Albright College at that time. “I had such a full plate between my job and my family responsibilities, so I was only able to take one class per semester,” said George. “As a result, it took me five-and-a-half years to land my M.B.A.”

The long journey to earning his M.B.A. in 1988 made getting it even sweeter, according to his wife, Barbara. “Kent is so proud of his master’s degree from Saint Joseph’s,” she said. “It hangs in his office today.

“That degree shows Kent’s tremendous work ethic. He was working full-time, he had a family, and still he found time to excel as a grad student. He insists that the M.B.A. played a great role in his success in the aviation industry. He knew aviation, but the master’s degree gave him additional confidence in his management skills and helped him reach the heights he has today.”

George’s day planner remains jam-packed with problems to solve. In addition to his airline responsibilities both in Pittsburgh and nationally, George serves on the University of Pittsburgh Medical Center’s Cancer Institute Board of Directors and is involved with the Greater Pittsburgh Chamber of Commerce, the Greater Pittsburgh Convention and Visitors Bureau, the British American Business Council, the Pennsylvania Economy League, the Allegheny Conference on Community Development, and the Airport Area Chamber of Commerce.

Ask George his favorite job title, though, and the answer might surprise you. “It’s great to be a grandpa,” said George, who now has four grandchildren. “They are the lights of my life and bring my wife and me nothing but joy.”

Bill Doherty is a freelance writer from Bethlehem, Pa.
The region of Darfur in Sudan has been devastated by what has become commonly called a genocide. It's a desperate place where families have been brutally ripped apart and tortured. During the past two years, tens of thousands have been forced to flee Sudan and have sought refuge in the now overcrowded camps along the Chadian border. What Patrick Samway, S.J., professor of English and director of the Fellowships Office, witnessed there has changed his life.

From early September last year to the end of May 2005, I worked in three eastern Sudanese refugee camps (Touloum, Kounoungou, and Farchana) located on the Chadian-Sudanese border. The decades-long crisis in Sudan centers on water rights and land distribution; ethnic rivalries; Muslims in the north (who favor strict Islamic control) versus fellow Muslims, Christians, and animists in the south; and more recently the discovery of oil deposits in the south that the northern Khartoum government wants to control. At present there are approximately 210,000 refugees who have fled their native Sudan, not counting more than two million displaced individuals within Sudan.

During my time in the camps, I worked for the Jesuit Refugee Service (JRS), which had been asked by Secours Catholique et Développement (SECADEV), a local Chadian humanitarian organization, to help provide education and support services for the refugees.
organization, to start and manage schools in the camps they directed. There are more than 30 such non-governmental organizations (NGOs) working for the refugees under the aegis of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR).

At the beginning there were three Jesuit priests, but, after a while, the other two returned to their native countries, and I remained for most of my time in Chad as the only priest working in the camps (there were no nuns or religious brothers), in what proved to be an unforgettable ecumenical immersion experience. Little by little, I erected and repaired school tents and shelters; found refugees who could teach (the curriculum was in Sudanese Arabic); provided pedagogical sessions to these teachers; solicited funds for their salaries; pleaded for school books for more than 5,000 students; had uniforms made for the teachers; and oversaw the construction of 65 classrooms, fabricated by Chadian and refugee workers out of locally made brick.

But, in a real sense, this was only a part of what I did.

To give you a better picture of my experience, here are three entries from my daily journal in Chad:

**September 9, 2004, Touloum, Eastern Chad**

I rose about 5:30 a.m., surprised that it had gotten chilly during the middle of the night. The weather during the previous day had been sunny and in the 90s for the most part. I looked around, only to discover that five of us had slept outdoors in the courtyard — composed of mud-brick walls — of the SECADEV compound. Private time for prayer. It is not difficult to pray in Chad; the Muslims do it periodically throughout each day. Then brushed my teeth, using my favorite red plastic Tabasco cup — one of the few links I have kept with my life in Philadelphia. The toilet is a simple hole in the concrete flooring in an outside enclosure. A rickety door provides some privacy. Breakfast was as I have come to expect: coffee and instant Quaker oats. After that we all piled into the back of a pick-up to go to Touloum camp.

Incredible! Just incredible! I don’t think I had really been prepared for what I saw. I just stared and stared, trying to take it all in. I had never seen a refugee camp before. As we approached Touloum, my eyes surveyed hillock after hillock of dirty brown tents set out in regular rows. Many of the tents had UNHCR emblazoned on one side, a reminder of the larger international community that had been furnishing materials of one sort or another. Scattered about the camp were spigots where the refugees could get water, which flowed from large holding tanks. Some of the camps have a serious lack of water. Food — that is flour, cooking oil, and other essentials — is stored in gigantic tent-warehouses by the World Food Program and distributed twice monthly by SECADEV. Touloum accommodates about 16,000 people. I am beginning to sense that the logistics are mind-boggling.

Philippe Marbaix, S.J., from Belgium; Marcellin Mekonnodji Nadingam, our young, dynamic Chadian liaison officer with SECADEV; and I met with the school director and the few teachers he had been able to assemble, many of whom formerly were teachers of the Koran. Outside the tent a dust storm howled, eventually causing a crust to form inside my nostrils. Though the Sudanese speak Arabic and a bit of English, we discover by chance that Philippe’s accentuated English is more comprehensible to them than mine. Go figure! I must be picking up a Philly twang, or something. The school here has not begun (that will happen in October, if everything falls into place) and thus the aim of our visit was to set priorities for what we should do. There are probably 2,000 children of primary-school age; setting up a school in these conditions will be a gigantic undertaking. What we needed to do first was to listen to the school director and the teachers; this is, after all, their school, not ours. We are here to assist them as best we can. By the end of the morning, I had a sense of what has to be done, but not exactly how to do it, since SECADEV is dependent on UNHCR, UNICEF, and a host of NGOs for material support of one type or another.
When we returned to the SECADEV compound at Iriba, we had dinner: a heated can of lentils. I know I have lost some weight in Chad, and will probably lose some more, but I feel healthy. I am aware that I will have to monitor my health, as we hear all too often that so-and-so has come down with hepatitis or malaria.

In all, I can count this as one of the most memorable days of my life. Not only was Touloum much larger than I had expected, but listening to the reports at UNHCR about the levels of cooperation needed to run such a camp certainly surpassed anything I might have imagined before coming to Chad. I now see the wisdom of sending American youngsters to summer camps to learn survival skills. What skills, I cynically ask myself, do today’s teenagers learn walking around malls and hanging out with their friends? Yet, why am I thinking this? I never went to summer camp; my sister Mary did — but that is a whole other story.

I think I just hung out with my friends, though we never called it that.

By chance I met a refugee I had talked to a few months before. He spoke excellent English, the best of any refugee I have encountered. He was willing to talk with me about his experiences. I was deeply moved by his words:

“My name is Adam Moussa Ahmat and I come from the village in western Darfur. I am 44 years old and the father of nine children, seven of whom are with me in the camp. I am, in this order, African, Sudanese, Muslim, Darfuri, from the tribe of Fur. My wife died in Sudan and I have no information about my brothers or sisters there. I am an English teacher by profession and during the crisis — a genocide — I went with my children to Tiné, Sudan, and then crossed the border to Tiné, Chad. At the border there were no problems; we registered with the Chadian government and stayed in Tiné for eight months. Gradually we learned that the international community was opening camps for refugees. I left Sudan in August 2003 and arrived at Kounoungou in early May 2004.

If I had to tell you anything, I would say that in this camp I have lost my dignity. I live on someone else’s land, not on mine. In Sudan, I was free to move about where and when I wanted to. I could even earn a living and support myself and my family. But here I feel like a prisoner. In Sudan, herders constantly move their flocks; we cannot do that here. If we try, we have to deal with road checks and the police. How can any refugee move about without money and or an official ID card?

Our biggest problem is security and protection — or rather the lack of it. As you can see, the local Chadian police are visible in the camp, and that is a good sign. But before they arrived there was looting and even shooting. To some extent things are getting better. But nobody has really explained to us our legal rights. I know that I can go to UNHCR and report situations or breaches of security, but I have never done it, nor do I know anyone who has. A medical doctor here and one of the social workers have given us documents, which we still have. But that is a far cry from really understanding our rights here.

No one is sure how long we will stay at Kounoungou. We want to live in our own land peacefully and with dignity. Nothing has changed in Darfur — the savagery and genocide continue. Our only hope lies in the pressure that the international community can and perhaps will exert on the Sudanese government to bring about a genuine peace.”
Later, tired and wishing that we could do more for all the refugees, not only for Adam Moussa Ahmat, we drove for five hours, back to Abéché, staring quietly at occasional bands of nomads on majestic camels traversing the Sahel and at mauve and prune-colored mountains in the distance. It was dark when we pulled in. The town was enveloped in clouds of dust and sand, giving the impression that Abéché was burning. I had a simple dinner, as I occasionally do, at the UNHCR headquarters.

Up at 5 a.m. I presided in the Jesuit church on this feast of Saints Philip and James. Breakfast of bread, jam, and coffee. I then walked to SECADEV and received two checks: 1) $50,000 (U.S.) reimbursement check for the construction of the brick classrooms and 2) money to pay the teachers at Farchana camp — both breakthroughs, since, to this date, I have received no money at all either from UNHCR or SECADEV. I had to do my own fund-raising, and thanks to our Jesuit friends I was able to pay our expenses as we went along. Perhaps things are looking up; it seems that UNHCR has some confidence in SECADEV, and will perhaps start paying them, as they are obliged to do according to their contractual relationship. For eight months SECADEV has been needlessly broke, broke, broke. Though I should be working within SECADEV, I have been forced to take a parallel route in order to help effectively the children in the camps. Eight months of frustration; eight months of seeking funds on my own; eight months of speaking out when necessary, yet keeping my mouth shut, in order to build up the SECADEV team, in spite of their mode of proceeding.

Hugh Delaney (an Irish layman recently arrived from Rome to give us a hand), Ahmat Bechir (our marvelous driver), and I took off for Farchana at 1:30 p.m. Rain clouds loomed, but no actual drops appeared — still, an ominous sign because we are building mud-brick classrooms and any rain would “melt” the bricks already in place before a final coat of mud (crépissage, in French) is applied to both the external and internal walls.

Saw a troop of monkeys. They seemed so lackadaisical and sat down at one point and stared at us. When we arrived at Farchana, we immediately visited the classroom construction sites. Very little, alas, has been done in the past week. Hugh and I looked at each other in utter disbelief. The construction manager told us that the large trucks they used to transport bricks from the dried-up riverbed to the camp had broken down and thus he had sent someone to N’djamena for replacement parts. In addition, a local Chadian governmental official had ordered that we could no longer make bricks, for some reason we could not figure out. Should we bribe him? Not out of the question.

We later drove an hour eastward to the SECADEV compound at Adré, not far from the Sudanese border. Hugh, Ahmat, and I drove to “town,” a series of dingy open-air “restaurants.” No meat was available, so we had sodas and soup and bread. That evening I slept outside — very pleasant. No mosquitoes. Dreamt, of all things, of the “Old Lady’s Castle” in Ware, Mass., just down from my grandparents’ house. The castle is still there, though fixed up a bit when I last saw it. Why did I dream of the castle? I think the classrooms under construction subconsciously represent castles in my subconscious. Where is Freud when you need him?

When I first arrived in Chad, many of the NGOs expected that the refugees would return to Sudan within a year’s time. No one says that anymore. How long must this genocide continue? Three years? Five years? Sadly, it’s anyone’s guess. My return visit to Chad next summer will undoubtedly provide answers to these questions.
The images of the aftermath of Hurricane Katrina plastered across TV, newspaper, and online news coverage have made the destruction and devastation in the Gulf Coast a common sight. But the hurricane’s effects have stretched far beyond the flooded buildings and rocketing fuel prices that dominate news stories across the country.

One aspect of Gulf Coast life hardest hit by Katrina were the region’s colleges and universities. The American Council on Education estimated in early October that anywhere from 75,000 to 100,000 students from close to three-dozen universities were affected by the storm. Nearly 5,000 of those students were from Loyola University New Orleans, a sister Jesuit institution led by president and Saint Joseph’s alumnus Kevin Wildes, S.J. ’76 (B.A.).

Within days of Katrina’s landfall and after Loyola had made the decision to close for the fall semester, the Association of Jesuit Colleges and Universities (AJCU) released a statement offering admission of displaced Loyola students to any of the other 27 AJCU Jesuit schools in the United States, based on the space that those institutions had available.

Despite recording new freshman enrollment of more than 1,000 students for the fourth straight year, Saint Joseph’s announced that it would make room for up to 20 displaced Loyola students with the understanding that their tuition dollars would remain at Loyola and any credits earned at Saint Joseph’s would transfer back to New Orleans. In addition to admitting the students without tuition, the University also made arrangements to find off-campus housing for any student requesting it and offered meal plans for the semester for the visiting students free of charge.

After receiving more than 400 inquiries from displaced students, Saint Joseph’s opened its doors even wider, and enrolled a total of 37 Loyola New Orleans students. As of this magazine’s press time, the 27 sister Jesuit institutions in the U.S. had accepted a combined total of 1,228 students displaced from Loyola New Orleans.

Imagine arriving at college after a long summer away, ready to see your friends and start the academic year. Before you can even unpack, though, you’re asked to evacuate the city. The thought alone is enough to shake those unfamiliar with the procedure, but, for four Loyola students, it seemed at first like business as usual.

“We thought it was going to be just like [Hurricane] Ivan,” said Shana Conneely, a sophomore advertising major at Loyola from Ashburnham, Mass. “Every year, there’s a hurricane warning and it amounts to nothing. We thought that we’d be back in our dorms within three hours.”

Conneely came to Saint Joseph’s with three sophomore friends: Simona Danilovska, a communications major from Takoma Park, Md.; Cara Diubaldi, an elementary education major from Weston, Conn.; and Megan Iverson, a business major from St. Paul, Minn. The foursome were so certain that Hurricane Katrina would amount to nothing that they made their beds so their rooms would be ready when they returned. The girls left New Orleans for Fort Polk, La., six hours away, still convinced that classes would begin in a few days. But as news of Katrina’s damage reached Fort Polk, the prospect of returning to Loyola for the fall semester became bleak.

With no television and no Internet access, the young women at first had no idea that the AJCU national outreach had already begun. Thanks to a call from Conneely’s father, they soon learned enough to start looking to other Jesuit institutions for help. With all the uncertainty, they decided to make sure of one thing: “We needed...”
to find a school that would take us as a group,” Danilovska said.

In their estimation, the girls contacted half a dozen schools with no response before someone asked them if they had thought about Saint Joseph's. They called Maria Mooney, associate director of admissions, and were quickly accepted. They took a plane to Philadelphia, and, before they knew it, were new Hawks.

Since coming to Saint Joseph's, the four say they have been impressed by the outreach from their fellow students. "It's almost overwhelming, how welcoming everyone has been," Danilovska said. "Every little thing we've needed, someone has been there to help us."

Like these four undergraduates, many of those who came to Saint Joseph's from Loyola were not from the Philadelphia area or had no ties to the city. But for others, like Steve McGovern, a junior accounting major and a member of Loyola's men's basketball team, Saint Joseph's was a logical choice because of local connections.

McGovern was born and raised in New Orleans, but moved to Coatesville, Pa., to attend the Church Farm School in Paoli, Pa. He returned to New Orleans for college, and, like Conneely, became used to the idea of hurricane warnings. "I wanted to stay in my room and wait it out," McGovern said, "but eventually one of my friends shoveled clothes into my arms and told me we were leaving."

After an 11-hour drive to Houston, a ride that normally takes five hours, McGovern stayed with a friend's family before returning to Coatesville. Even when his school situation seemed hopeless, McGovern kept true to his Jesuit roots. "I was so out of a normal 'frame of mind' that I didn't even think I'd be in school," he said. "I wanted to go back to New Orleans and help," a sentiment that Iverson echoed.

McGovern believed that Loyola's basketball team would return to play, and he knew that he needed to stay in basketball shape. "My mother said that St. Joe's was accepting displaced students," he said, "and I decided to return to class." McGovern called Saint Joseph's men's basketball coach Phil Martelli and arranged a way to practice with the team while keeping his eligibility at Loyola. "I'm so thankful for everything that Coach Martelli has done to help me," McGovern said. "I know that Loyola will be open again, and I want to be sure to be ready to play when it does."

Welcoming displaced students into the University community was only the beginning of Saint Joseph's outreach to Katrina's victims. University President Timothy R. Lannon, S.J., announced a series of fundraising efforts and designated Catholic Charities as the main recipient of Saint Joseph's donations, which totaled approximately $11,000.

Saint Joseph's alumni have also reached out to help. Florida residents Daniel Cardamone '90 (B.A.) and his wife Luz Velez-Cardamone '88 (B.S.) filled a large rental truck with an estimated $50,000 worth of supplies they collected. Despite two tire blowouts and serious gas shortages, Daniel and a friend managed to drive the truck to what they say has been called "Ground Zero Biloxi" in Mississippi. Cardamone recalled that "it took about 10 seconds to find people in need. Even state officials were coming in for supplies."

"In the end, you could not tell the difference between those who were homeless versus those who had everything. It was one big family working together, victims helping victims, neighbors helping neighbors."

Jeffrey Martin is a graduate assistant in the Office of University Communications.

**SAINT JOSEPH’S FACULTY DISCUSS IMPACT OF HURRICANE KATRINA**

In the weeks that passed after Hurricane Katrina tore through the Gulf Coast, ravaging New Orleans and other areas of Louisiana, Alabama, and Mississippi, it seems that more questions than answers lay waiting over the horizon. Could the extent of the devastation have been prevented? How much is nature responsible for the “natural” disaster? What can we learn from what has happened?

These questions were the focus of the Saint Joseph’s "Lessons of New Orleans" panel series this fall. The first presentation, “Environment, Infrastructure, and Politics,” focused on the reasons why the damage from and response to the hurricane were so bad. "So often, hurricanes are called "natural disasters" or 'acts of God,'” said Jeffrey Hyson, Ph.D., assistant professor of history. He suggested that the levee system that failed to hold back floodwaters was inherently flawed. "There are few ways other than the electric pumps to drain water, and, once the electricity was down, it was too difficult to get the water out of the city," he said. "It's a manmade cage, trapped in by its own design."

In the second panel discussion, "Race, Class, and Katrina: From Uncovering, to News Coverage, to Recovery," faculty discussed the sociological problems highlighted in the hurricane's aftermath. Arnold Farr, Ph.D., assistant professor of philosophy, pointed out that issues of race and social class were part of the reason that thousands of homeless New Orleans residents, many African-American, were left behind. "What does recovery mean?" he asked. "The term implies returning to some sort of previous state, of going back to the way things were. If that is the case, maybe recovery isn't such a great idea. Returning to business as usual, to New Orleans as it was, to America as it was, should not be an option."

The third panel, "Looking Forward," balanced an optimistic view of New Orleans’s future with a realistic look at the damage and cleanup that still lies ahead. "The responsibility of businesses to give back to the community has been heightened by the scope of the disaster, and many businesses have responded with extreme generosity," said Edward Balotsky, Ph.D., assistant professor of management. He also said that many companies were promising to return to the Gulf Coast after the cleanup, providing a sense of stability to the affected communities.

– Jeffrey Martin '04 (B.A.), '05 (M.A.)
25TH ANNUAL SHIELD OF LOYOLA PRESENTED TO FRANCIS J. ERBRICK ’61

In recognition of his distinguished accomplishments, loyalty, and commitment to alma mater, Francis J. Erbrick ’61 (B.S.) has been awarded the prestigious Shield of Loyola by the Saint Joseph’s University Alumni Association. This year marked the 25th anniversary of the awarding of the Shield, which also featured a gathering of previous recipients at the October gala held at the Park Hyatt in Philadelphia.

The Shield is presented each year to an alumnus/a who personifies the values of St. Ignatius of Loyola, founder of the Society of Jesus. Erbrick has distinguished himself not only in the business sector, but also has been honored by Saint Joseph’s and various organizations on numerous occasions for his commitment and contributions. He has served as a trustee of the University, member of the Accounting Alumni Chapter, member of the Alumni Association Board of Governors, and a founding member of the Magis Society.


Yet for Erbrick, work is by no means everything. He and his wife, Fran, have five children: Ann, Susan, Christopher, Michael ’91 (B.S.), and Matthew ’97 (B.S.), along with eight grandchildren. He has worked as a volunteer with numerous affiliations, including the United Way, where he served on the board of directors and as corporate campaign chair, and with the Boys and Girls Club of Metro Atlanta. Erbrick has received several awards and distinctions, including the Saint Joseph’s College of Business Administration (now the Erivan K. Haub School of Business) Hall of Fame Award in 1993, the Carnegie Mellon Award for Excellence in 1994, and the Ramapo College Distinguished Citizen Award in 1999.

When reflecting on his time at Saint Joseph’s, Erbrick feels there is something unique at Hawk Hill that needs to be maintained. “I have lectured at many schools in places all over the country,” said Erbrick. “There is something very special about Saint Joseph’s. I can’t put my finger on it. I like to call it the ‘X factor.’ This ‘X factor’ was, and probably always will be, a part of the University. It’s what makes Saint Joseph’s unique. It transcends school spirit.

“It’s all about caring for one another,” he continued, “being part of a close-knit community where there is commitment by everyone — the faculty and the administration. Whatever you call it, it must be nurtured.”

Patricia McElwee Mahoney ’76 (B.S.), Alumni Association president, and Timothy R. Lannon, S.J., University president, present Francis J. Erbrick ’61 (B.S.) with the Shield of Loyola Award.

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Dear Fellow Hawks,

Each edition of this magazine is filled with the accomplishments of our students, faculty, and alumni, as well as the advances the University is making to achieve its goal of being recognized as the preeminent Catholic, comprehensive university in the Northeast. This edition highlights much of the same — the future acquisition of the Merion campus of Episcopal Academy (now known as the Maguire Campus), the generosity of James J. Maguire ’58 (B.S.), and our highest ranking in U.S. News & World Report, just to name a few.

Excitement surrounds the Alumni Association, as well. This past summer, more than 50 members of the Board of Governors gathered to vote on a new constitution for the Association. By unanimous vote, the constitution was passed. This is the first step in changing the organization’s structure to more accurately reflect the ever-changing demographics of our alumni population.

The focal point of the constitution is the creation of a National Alumni Board. The makeup of this board will be determined according to regions as specified in the constitution, and will also include representation by some of the Association’s established chapters.

Elections were held this past fall for the officer positions of executive vice president, president, and secretary. Each position holds a two-year term. (Final tallies were not available at press time but results can be found by visiting the alumni Web site: www.alumni.sju.edu.) I have assumed my official title as president of the Association, having served several years as executive vice president.

Once the executive committee has been established, National Alumni Board members will be appointed by the new officers in consultation with the Office of Alumni and Parent Programs and Timothy R. Lannon, S.J., University president. The new board will consist of up to 45 members, with each member serving a two-year term. Once this board is established, the real work will begin.

The board will be charged with reviewing the current status of Association activities and creating a strategic plan to move the Association forward. Of course, none of this work will have positive results without the active participation of our alumni. We invite all of you to participate. Feel free to contact the Office of Alumni and Parent Programs at 888-SJU-ALUM or alumni@sju.edu.

Forever a Hawk,

Patricia McElwee Mahoney ’76 (B.S.), President, Alumni Association
**PARENT INvolvement BENefits STUDENTS**

Your child gets accepted to Saint Joseph's University. Mixed emotions seize you — both exuberance and sadness at the same time. As a parent, you realize your child is beginning a life apart, yet you realize this is an exciting and enriching period in his or her life.

**PARENTS PROGRAM**

Staying connected with your son or daughter during his or her college years is important. In an effort to keep parents and their children in touch, Saint Joseph’s has established the Parents Program in the Office of Alumni and Parent Programs. Betsy Courtney (above), newly appointed program director, applauds the enthusiasm and commitment she has seen from Saint Joseph's parents.

“Involvement in the Parents Program conveys a message to your child that you care,” says Courtney. “Initially, the message of caring is providing your son or daughter with the opportunity to attend Saint Joseph’s, and then, in turn, being a part of this experience enhances your child’s college years. Through this program, parents can become important partners in their child’s education.”

The Parents Program was also established to cultivate lasting relationships between parents and the University. Saint Joseph’s realizes parents are one of its greatest resources. This program focuses on developing parent involvement for career mentoring and internships for current students. Other plans include parents acting as contacts for new students and hosts for parent-centered events in various regions.

**PARENTS FUND**

As part of the Parents Program, an executive council of parents is being formed to serve as University ambassadors — to get other parents involved in academic leadership and to assist the University in increasing support for The Saint Joseph’s Fund (formerly the Annual Fund), in particular the Parents Fund.

The Parents Fund enhances the philanthropic efforts of current parents. By designating a particular activity or program for your contribution, you will have a direct impact on today’s students, including your son or daughter. The Loyola Society, a leadership-giving level of the Parents Fund, acknowledges those parents who go one step further to ensure the future of Saint Joseph’s academic, spiritual, social, athletic, and service life on campus. Your gift of $1,000 or more can be designated to the University’s greatest need, the endowment, scholarships, athletics, or any number of special interest groups on campus.

Loyola Society chairs Ray and Joyce Lopez of Davidsonville, Md., parents of Michael ’06, invite all parents to join them by making a donation to The Fund. “We are proud and happy to assist the University in this effort,” says Ray. “The Fund guarantees a vital present and secure future for Saint Joseph’s. We can make an immediate difference in our son’s educational experience and the experience of his fellow students.”

**Legacy Day**

Legacy Day 2005 brought 60 alumni and their high school-age children to campus for a closer look at the University’s admissions process, including Joseph Sculli ’77 (B.S., above) and his daughter, Erica. Sponsored jointly by the Admissions Office and the Office of Alumni and Parent Programs, Legacy Day 2006 is scheduled for April 28. For more information, call the Office of Alumni and Parent Programs at 888-SJU-ALUM.
Post Hall: The Impact of One Donor’s Generosity

Saint Joseph’s mission to prepare the whole student to develop knowledge, religious consciousness, and responsibility for others in a modern-day, academic environment is clearly evident in the microcosm that is Post Hall. In fall 1999, John R. Post ’60 (B.S.), founder and president of Post Precision Castings in Strausstown, Pa., pledged $6 million to the University for the renovation and refurbishment of Villiger Hall, now John R. Post Hall.

Since then, the renovations have transformed not only the building itself, but also the three departments housed within — psychology, sociology, and health services. Now an innovative center of learning and academic achievement, Post Hall offers its faculty and students the latest technological advancements.

“The material gift — while forever needed — cannot tell the whole story. The most precious gift, always, is the message that you care,” says John Post when asked why he decided to make the gift. He adds, “Post Hall provides students with a new dimension in which to learn and the technology necessary to be properly equipped for their future.”

Just ask Donald S. Leitner, Ph.D., professor and chair of the psychology department.

“If John Post were standing next to me right now, I would thank him profusely,” said Leitner. “This facility is an incredible academic platform for students and faculty. I look around and think, ‘Wow, look at all the cool stuff I can use to advance my teaching and research.’ I think the renovations have made a tremendous difference not only in terms of mechanics, but also in terms of the outlook and attitude of the faculty.”

Sally Black, Ph.D., assistant professor of health services, couldn’t agree more: “It’s a pleasure to teach in Post Hall. The classroom design allows students to learn in comfort and interact without being crowded. The technology enables teachers to use a variety of tools to convey information.”

The Post gift turned one of the oldest and most important academic buildings on campus into a high-technology, state-of-the-art facility. Throughout its classrooms, smart podiums house computers with large-screen projectors and DVD/CD equipment, videocassette players, Internet hook-ups, and document cameras, enabling a variety of multimedia presentations. Student stations include Internet access and, in some rooms, individual computer stations. According to Dr. Leitner, these advantages are immeasurable.

“Our location in Post Hall not only has top-notch technology,” he explained, “but it is also much more aesthetically pleasing. Moreover, it has outstanding research facilities, maybe the best on campus, that are definitely competitive with, if not better than, any of our peer institutions.”

Besides the obvious benefits of advanced classroom and lab technology, Dr. Leitner believes the enhancements have helped attract the best students. “For today’s students who are more technologically oriented, they expect to see the latest technology and feel very comfortable with the technology around them,” he added.

The psychology program has grown from 25 undergraduates in 1980 to more than 250 today, with 30 graduate students. The faculty has gone from five full-time positions 20 years ago to 11 full-time faculty members today.

“Post Hall is a good way to attract high-quality faculty,” Dr. Leitner affirmed. “The new facility has allowed our faculty to do some amazing things. Liz [Elizabeth, Ph.D., assistant professor] Jaeger has done some amazing work with childcare. Other faculty members are very active in the fields of neuropsychology and sleep disorders in young children. All these people could not do the kind of work they’re doing at the level they’re doing it if they didn’t have the support of the structure of this building. Our faculty has definitely used [Post Hall] as a platform to expand.”

Jenna Fulton ’05 (B.S.), a psychology major, reiterated these sentiments: “The biggest asset was the bond we were able to develop with professors and our fellow students. We developed a very close-knit community. The classrooms were conducive to this type of interaction.

“The statistical software has given me an edge in my career, since I deal with statistics every day. Saint Joseph’s has the latest software and technology.” Fulton works for National Analysts in Philadelphia.

“Post Hall is an example of what a Jesuit university can do,” concluded Dr. Leitner. “We like to think of ourselves as a Catholic, preeminent school, and this is what we’re doing here. Faculty and students are grateful to Mr. Post because he has given them the opportunity to make a difference in the quality of life of people in the neighborhood, across the country, and around the world.

“That’s what Saint Joseph’s University is all about.”
THE SAINT JOSEPH’S FUND: YOUR CHANCE TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE

When opportunity knocks, will you answer the door?

Few people would answer “no” to this question. We all look forward to an opportunity coming our way, whether in the form of a chance event or a sought-after occurrence. Either way, few people run from opportunity; rather, they seize it in hopes of a bit of good fortune or a chance for advancement.

But while receiving an opportunity is desirable, giving an opportunity is even more rewarding. In every sense, The Saint Joseph’s Fund is all about opportunity — for students, faculty, and the University as a whole. The Fund is an opportunity for alumni and friends of Saint Joseph’s to make a difference. It helps sustain all that is wonderful about Saint Joseph’s — educational excellence rooted in Catholic, Jesuit ideals. The Fund supports financial aid, scholarships, the Hawk Athletic Fund, and every aspect of campus life. Last year alone, the entering freshman class received more than $7.3 million in scholarship money provided by The Saint Joseph’s Fund.

Kevin Capuzzi ’07 (Media, Pa.) described what the fund has meant to him: “As the recipient of a Saint Joseph’s University scholarship, I am extremely grateful for being afforded the chance to attend such a well-respected university.

“Not only has my scholarship lessened a financial burden from my parents,” said Capuzzi, a biology major who hopes to work as a forensics scientist for the FBI, “but it has given them the satisfaction of knowing I am receiving a top-notch education that may not have otherwise been possible.”

The Saint Joseph’s Fund is also a reflection of how the University community and outsiders view the school. When U.S. News & World Report ranks universities, alumni participation is a key factor and is part of the reason Saint Joseph’s continues to climb in the rankings, moving from 15th in its Best Universities-Master’s (North) two years ago to 9th in the 2006 ratings.

This year The Fund’s goal is to achieve 25 percent participation, which is your opportunity to make a difference. Financial support for your alma mater is an important strength of the institution and a tribute to what it means to be an alumni/a who values a Jesuit education. Help Saint Joseph’s continue to provide opportunity to fellow and future Hawks.

BASEBALL HALL OF FAME

Congratulations to the four alumni who were honored at the Baseball Hall of Fame Induction on Saturday, October 29: Kevin Quirk ’81 (B.S.), Mark Higgins ’89 (B.S.) (special coaches presentation), Ed Dempsey ’83 (B.S.), and John Smithson ’68 (B.S.) ’82 (M.B.A.).

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1941

Sigmund Ettinger (B.S.) has taught classes at the Academy of Lifelong Learning at the University of Delaware since 1985, with recent classes enrolling 200 students. He and wife Betty reside in Wilmington, Del.

1950

Clifford Edgcumbe (B.S.) is fully enjoying retirement. An avid Hawk basketball follower, he also serves as a Eucharistic minister at St. Mary Magdalene parish in Media, Pa. Edgcumbe volunteers in the Delaware Co. Memorial Hospital emergency room and remains involved with the American Legion Burial Honor Guard at funerals of deceased veterans. He and wife Mary moved five years ago from Drexel Hill, Pa., to Edgmont, Pa.

1958

Hugh Rosen (B.S.) published Silent Battlefields: A Novel (AUniverse), about the intersecting lives of descendants of a Polish Jewish family and a German Christian family. He has published six non-fiction books, and this is his first novel. Rosen is a retired professor from Hahnemann University in Philadelphia.

1963

Geraldine A. Sylvestre (B.A.) completed her 25th year of teaching at St. Christopher School in Philadelphia.

1964

Don R. Naimoli (B.S.) is a principal with investment firm Giraud Partners in King of Prussia, Pa. He previously spent 30 years working in the trust and investment industry and had a five-year period of semi-retirement, during which he fulfilled a long-held desire to start a neighborhood retail business. Naimoli has four children and six grandchildren, and is looking forward to his "second retirement."

1965

Lt. Col. Edward P. Land (B.S.) has worked as an elementary school teacher since retiring from the U.S. Air Force in 1992 and loves what he is doing. He taught four years of kindergarten before "graduating" to first grade.

1967

James Melin (B.S.) opened his fifth store in Rhode Island in 2004. President of Tire Pros, he co-owns the business with his son and works closely with his son-in-law. Melin welcomed his fifth grandchild.

1968

Michael J. Bell (B.A.) was appointed provost at Franklin Pierce College in Rindge, N.H. Previously he was vice president for academic affairs and dean of the faculty at Elmhurst College in Elmhurst, Ill.

1970

James E. Douglas (B.S.) retired from the Philadelphia Prison System as a social worker after 26 years. He continues to reside in Philadelphia.

1969

John F. Brennan (B.S.) opened his own law firm in Park Ridge, Ill. He was also selected for membership in the Leading Lawyers Network, for which only the top five percent of lawyers in Illinois are eligible.

1970

Raymond O. Lenevaner (M.A.) of Villanova, Pa., is a performance assessment scorer at CTR/McGraw-Hill in Delran, N.J.

Lee McLain (B.S.) is a U.S. Postal Service manager at the Information Technology Service Center in San Mateo, Calif. He and wife Shirley have relocated from Raleigh, N.C., to San Jose, Calif.
1971 Reunion Year! May 19-21

Stephen J. Carr (B.S.) was named chairman of Asher and Co. in Philadelphia. He previously served as managing director of the firm and will continue to serve clients as a director in the tax department.

1972

A.A. Banumah-Ademuyewo (B.S.) is a council member of the World Union of Jesuit Alumni/ae representing Africa and serves as national president of Jesuit Alumni/ae of Nigeria.

1973

Eileen Moynihan, M.D. (B.S.), was elected president of the Medical Society of New Jersey and is only the second woman in the society’s 239-year history to have achieved that position. She has a private practice in rheumatology.

1974

Linda L. Guerra, Ph.D. (B.S.), expanded her psychotherapy practice from its Philadelphia location, where she will still see clients, to include Bala Cynwyd, Pa., as well.

1976 Reunion Year! May 19-21

Dorothy (Corey) Fallon (B.S.) established a labor arbitration and mediation practice, which handles commercial and employment disputes. She is pursuing her master’s degree in labor relations at the Cornell University School of Industrial and Labor Relations and expects to complete the program in summer 2006. Husband Timothy (B.S. ’76) was appointed president/North America for Kettle Foods, which specializes in natural and organic potato chips and other salty snacks.

William Roger Nelson, Ed.D. (B.S.), is a retired K-12 New Jersey science teacher and school administrator. Currently he is a faculty member for Nova Southeastern University’s Fischler School of Education and Human Services, where he serves as a doctoral dissertation chair for the northeastern United States team.

1977

Michael Brophy (B.A., M.S. ’05) is in his second year of teaching seventh grade English at Colonial Middle School in Plymouth Meeting, Pa. He is also an adjunct faculty member in the SJU instructional technology graduate program. Husband Timothy (B.A. ’76) continues his 25-year career at GlaxoSmithKline as senior vice president for the Managed Markets and NeuroHealth divisions. Stefano lives in Cary, N.C., with wife Denise and daughter Jackie.

Daniel J. Waters, D.O. (B.S.), was named president of the Iowa Society of Thoracic Surgeons for 2005-07. He is chief of cardiac and thoracic surgery at Mercy Medical Center in Mason City, Iowa.

Tom Weeks (B.S., M.B.A. ’81) purchased Officenter, a space planning and office furnishings dealership in Elverson, Pa. He and wife Suzie (M.S. ’87) live in Ardmore, Pa., with sons Tommy and Patrick.

1978

Ronald Miniglio (B.S.) is a chemistry teacher at Robbinsville (N.J.) High School. He spent 26 years in Catholic education as a teacher and elementary school principal.

Vincent Ternaferma (M.B.A.) was elected president of the American Subcontractors Association.

**Loyola New Orleans Students at SJU Reunite with their President**

Kevin Wildes, S.J. ’76 (B.A., front row, middle), president of Loyola University New Orleans, returned to his alma mater in October for a reception where he visited with displaced Loyola students attending Saint Joseph’s for the fall semester. Held in the Erivan K. Haub Executive Center in McShain Hall, the event was underwritten by Chartwell Investment Partners, where John Griffin ’78 (B.S., back row, sixth from right), former SJU men’s basketball coach, is principal and director. In addition, Chartwell presented a $25,000 check to Fr. Wildes to go toward Loyola’s relief fund. Loyola students at Villanova University and Loyola alumni living in the area also
In Memory

Florence Bidinger, mother of Bruce M. S.J., SJU trustee and former vice president for mission and ministry
Eunice P. McCall, mother of John, interim dean of SJU College of Arts and Sciences
Edward C. Sayers '34
Charles F. Hughes '40
Rose R. Carrol, wife of George L. '42
Bernard L. McDevitt '47, father of William I., chair and associate professor of management
Andrew "Andy" Dougherty '48, former SJU sports information director, father of Andy Jr. '81, Larry '82 (also former SJU sports information director), Mary '91 and Brian '93 (See below.)
Patrick F. Dalton '50
Francis S. Maldon '50
Edmund F. J. O'Brien '50
Patricia W. Hooger, wife of Charles F. '55
Margaret Mary "Peggy" Carlino, wife of William L. '56 and stepmother of Renee Walsh '80
John J. Cassidy '57
Daniel J. Micucci Sr. '63, husband of Catherine, formerly of SJU development, father of Daniel Jr. '87, Patricia Di Marcello '88, and Stephanie Bates '91
Frederick J. Sylvester, husband of Geraldine '63 and father of Gregory '88
Elizabeth D. Strange '75
Shane Buckley '07
Leslie G. Joe, father of Anna '07
John J. Burke, father of John J. '08
Anthony Farro '08
Evan W. Brady '09

SJU Mourns Basketball Historian Andy Dougherty ’48

Saint Joseph’s University and Philadelphia basketball lost a treasured member of the community when former SJU Sports Information Director Andy Dougherty ’48 (B.S.) passed away October 4.

Dougherty, one of the foremost authorities on Philadelphia college basketball, had been inducted into the Saint Joseph’s Athletics Hall of Fame in September. His involvement on Hawk Hill spanned six decades.

“I’m not aware of anyone who has been involved at Saint Joseph’s for as long as Andy Dougherty,” reflected Don Djula ’67 (B.S.), associate vice president and director of athletics. “He was the only person here when the Fieldhouse was built and then when Phil Martelli was named coach. There were so many sports and people he dealt with, far from just basketball. He will be remembered by a lot of people for a very long time.”

As a student Dougherty served as team manager for famed men’s basketball coach Bill Ferguson, and he remained involved with the program and Saint Joseph’s after graduation in 1948. He played an integral role in the formation of the Hawk Hoop Club and served on the former Alumni Board of Governors.

A Philadelphia native and St. Joseph’s Prep graduate, Dougherty was a long-time sportswriter for the Catholic Standard and Times. While always active at his alma mater, he officially returned to SJU in 1972 as sports information director. His tenure encompassed the arrival and growth of women’s athletics, as well as nationally recognized basketball, baseball, soccer, and track teams. After retiring from Saint Joseph’s in 1983, Dougherty served as the official scorer for both the Hawks and the Philadelphia 76ers.

He was inducted into the Saint Joseph’s Men’s Basketball Hall of Fame in 1977 and the Big 5 Hall of Fame in 1989. In 2000, the University presented him with the Rev. Joseph S. Hogan Award for dedication and service. Dougherty and his wife Jane have four children, all of whom attended SJU: Andy Jr. ’81 (B.S.); Larry ’82 (B.S., M.B.A. ’94), also a former sports information director at SJU; Mary Ficco ’91 (B.S.); and Brian ’93 (B.S.).

― Marie Wozniak
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Guy Ciarrrocchi (B.A.) was named Philadelphia regional director for the Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Region III Office. He and wife Christine, Esq. (Ciarrrocchi, B.A. ’87), reside in Paoli, Pa., with their three children.

Michael J. Cormann, Esq. (B.A.), and wife Faye adopted their first child, Camille Gui Yu, from the Hunan Province, People's Republic of China. Cormann is on the staff council for the Camden County Surrogate.

Samirin Gupta (M.B.A.) returned to campus in June 2004 for the first time in 14 years along with wife Tamali and their daughters Chandika and Treya.

Janice Nilson (B.A.) received her M.B.A. from the University of Notre Dame.

Michael Prendergast (B.A.) completed his certified financial planner designation through the American College in Bryn Mawr, Pa., and is a vice president of Hudson United Bank in Philadelphia. He and wife Terri (Della Greca, B.S. ’87) live in Devon, Pa., with daughters Julianna and Rachel.

Brian Redden (B.S.) has worked as a sales representative for Louer Inc., covering the Southern California and Asia territories, for the past 14 years. He, wife Susanne, and sons Dylan and Gavin reside in Huntington Beach, Calif.

Kevin Yezzi (B.S.) is a consulting actuary with Towers Perrin in Philadelphia and recently became a principal of the firm. He and wife Laura live in Horsham, Pa., with children Steven and Colleen.

1988

Craig Dolezal (M.B.A.) was named National Practice Leader for Hewitt Associates health-care consulting practice in Atlanta, Ga.

Carl R. Meyers (B.A.) was reelected to the board of managers at the Episcopal Academy in Merion, Pa. He is in the residential real estate business with Prudential Fox & Roach in Newtown Square, Pa.


Gregory A. Sylvestre (B.S.) is business development manager at S&D Brokerage in Plymouth Meeting, Pa. He and his wife of 13 years, Cheryl, have four children: Jessica, Marissa, Angela, and Gregory.

1989

B. Christopher Dougherty (B.A.) was elected vice president of the Association for Continuing Higher Education. He is associate dean for the faculty of arts and sciences and director of the Educational Opportunity Fund office, both at Rutgers University-Camden. Dougherty and wife Joanne live in Havertown, Pa., with daughters Madeleine and Isabel.

1990

Thomas G. Francesconi (B.S.) is master marketing associate at Sysco Food Services in Philadelphia. He was awarded President’s Club and Chairman’s Club status from the company. Francesconi has three children: Victoria Marie, Thomas Antonio, and Caroline Rose.

Carol (Theodoreson) Shelleck (M.B.A.) joined Brain Surgery Worldwide as the executive director of account services in Philadelphia.

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Marc Gibbs (B.S.) is senior trade marketing manager for the Church & Dwight Co. in Princeton, N.J., where he manages the family planning portfolio. Gibbs and wife Tara reside in Marlton, N.J., with daughter Gianna.

Sue Ann (Hickey) Curran (B.A.) is a business processes analyst with the Virginia Community College System in Information Technology Services. She and husband Michael reside in Midlothian, Va., with children Tommy and Katie.

Kimberlee A. Johnson (B.A.) received a doctor of ministry degree from Westminster Theological Seminary last May.

1992

Nicole Muraro (B.A.) is a Spanish teacher for the Park City (Utah) School District. She is the team leader for the foreign language department. Muraro resides in Park City.

Jennifer Semlak (B.S.) accepted a position as regional recruiter for Wawa Food Markets’ Store Operations division.

Kate (Shields) Landaiche (B.S., M.B.A. ’95) relocated with husband Paul and sons Drew, Jake, and Kevin to Parkland, Fl.

1994

May Wilt Fee (B.S.) of the U.S. Air Force is deployed to Camp Victory in Baghdad, Iraq, in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom.

Kristin (Kerrigan) Creisman (B.S., M.A. ’97) is a seventh-grade science teacher at Carl Sandburg Middle School in the Neshaminy (Pa.) School District. Husband Jeremy (B.A. ’94) is Northeast senior regional manager at TOTO, USA in Soho, N.Y. They reside with daughter Katherine in Washington Crossing, Pa.

Katfi (Larum) Wulf (B.S.) received her master’s degree in education in July and now works remotely as an international project director for J. Reckner Associates, a market research company based in Montgomeryville, Pa. She, husband Jamie, and daughters Alexis and Kaitlyn relocated to State College, Pa., in July.

Saint Joseph’s Sets New Admissions Deadlines for Incoming Freshmen

Saint Joseph’s heightened academic stature and increased student demand have spurred recent efforts to ensure an admissions process that is more efficient and more equitable than in the past. As a result, the Office of Enrollment Management has dispensed with rolling admissions and instituted a new deadline process for fall 2006.

The new process affords applicants three options: early decision, early action, and regular decision. Early-decision students, if admitted, are obligated to withdraw other applications and enroll. This option is only for students absolutely certain Saint Joseph’s is their first choice. They had a November 15 deadline to apply, will receive notification by December 15, and must submit a deposit by February 1. Early-action candidates had to apply by November 15 and will receive notification by January 15. Students applying through regular decision are required to apply by February 1 and will receive notification by March 15. Early-action and regular decision applicants must submit the enrollment deposit by May 1.

“Saint Joseph’s is now one of the eight most selective colleges and universities in the state of Pennsylvania,” said David Conway, vice president for enrollment management. “In just a few years we’ve added a Phi Beta Kappa chapter and won AACSB accreditation for the Haub School, increased the academic quality of entering students, and been recognized by our own peers as one of the top universities in the Northeast. On top of that, we’ve just increased the size of our campus by 58 percent. The combined impact of these events has pushed student demand to an unprecedented level.”

Some 10,000 applicants from almost every state and more than 60 countries are expected to compete for a seat in next fall’s freshman class of just over 1,000. The new system is meant to ensure a more comprehensive review and selection of the strongest candidates.
Marriages

Wei Lifeng (M.B.A. ’04) and Zhang Qi (M.S. ’04)

Cheryl Ruczenski (B.S. ’99) and Steven Kiefer
Erin Brown (B.S. ’00, M.S. ’05) and Al Snieszewage (B.A. ’00, M.S. ’05)
Karen Gallagher (B.S. ’00) and Angelo Finarelli (B.S. ’00, M.B.A. ’04)
Shannon Rowley (B.S. ’00) and Sean Lavelle (B.S. ’00)
Faith Ahearn (B.A. ’01, M.A. ’02) and Charles Holmgren
Kristen Burns (B.S. ’01) and Shawn Connor (B.S. ’99)
Jennifer Hoffman (B.S. ’01) and David Bastos Dhanya Maxwell (B.S. ’01, M.B.A. ’02) and Johnson John
Kelly Scallon (B.A. ’01) and Matthew Koury
Christine Smith (B.S. ’01) and David Griffith Carrie Thuer (B.A. ’01) and Marcello De Feo (B.A. ’01)
Tracey Wieners (M.S. ’01) and Jack Rush Devin McNamee (B.A. ’02) and James Spears
Kathleen Crist (B.S. ’02) and Leon Klein (B.S. ’02)
Victoria Trum (B.A. ’02) and Douglas Schoeler
Colleen Allen (B.S. ’03) and Douglas Schoeler
Denise Gjanta (B.S. ’03) and Matthew Edwards
Zhang Qi (M.S. ’04) and Wei Lifeng (M.B.A. ’04)
Heather Hall (M.S. ’05) and Todd Marrone

1995

Laura (Chubrick) DiPlacido (B.S.) earned her M.B.A. in marketing from Temple University.

Marie Haughton Flocco (B.A.) teaches in S.J.U’s English department. She and husband John reside in Haddonfield, N.J., with children James and Grace.

Charles A. Frederico, S.J. (B.S.), is a Jesuit scholastic at the Jesuit School of Theology at Berkeley (Calif.). He was ordained a transitional deacon in October and will be ordained a Jesuit priest on June 10, 2006. His will celebrate his first Mass on June 11 at S.J.U’s Chapel of St. Joseph — Michael J. Smith, S.J., Memorial. He looks forward to returning to the Maryland Province after his ordination.

John Rassa, Ph.D. (B.S.), works as a senior scientist with Ortho Clinical Diagnostics in Barren, N.J.

Marc Schuster (B.A.) successfully defended his doctoral dissertation, “Practical Ambivalence: Don DeLillo and the Political Economy of the Sign,” at Temple University in May 2005. He is now a tenure-track English instructor at Montgomery County (Pa.) Community College.

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Michael Grunewalt, M.D. (B.S.), is a family and sports medicine physician in Harbord, Pa. He and wife Meghan (Ginny, B.S. ’97) and son Sean reside in Kimberton, Pa.

Justin Hawley (B.S.) was promoted to director of information technology for Devon Health Services in September.

Lea (Lurtz) Born (B.S.) was promoted to business banker for Wachosha Bank in Media, Pa. She has moved to North Wales, Pa.

Lauren (McDermott) Campbell (B.A.) joined Holy Family University as director of undergraduate admissions. She earned her master’s degree in professional communication from LaSalle University in 2001. Campbell and husband Jason reside in Harbord, Pa.

Harry T. Solimeo (B.A.) was promoted to chief-of-staff for the Chemical Sciences and Engineering division of DuPont’s Central Research and Development. He also received certification as a Six Sigma Master Black Belt.

1997

Jeanne Murphy Carris (B.A.) started her own interior design business, Bella! Design for Living (www.bel-ladesignforliving.com). Along with her business partner, she designs, coordinates, and installs interiors for residential, hospitality, and commercial clients across the country.

Meghan (Ginny) Grunewalt (B.A.) is a family physician in Exton, Pa.

Tori Ann Helfrich (M.B.A.) reported that she was part of a group of 21 S.J.U alumni from the Classes of ’95, ’96, and ’97 and friends who took a Caribbean cruise last April to celebrate their 30th birthdays. The S.J.U. passengers hailed from Connecticut, New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Georgia, and Minnesota. Holly (Charles) Adams ‘97 (B.S.) coordinated the trip.

Stephanie (Peltzer) McKenna (B.A.) was named senior editor at E.C.R.I., a non-profit health-care research organization in Plymouth Meeting, Pa.

Joseph Santoro (B.S.) is an attorney in Sceaner Harrison Segal and Lewis’s business services department in Philadelphia. He has a J.D. from Widener University’s School of Law and an LL.M. in taxation from Temple University’s Beasley School of Law.

1998

Angela Luisola-Rodebaugh (B.A.) left her legal career to pursue her dream of teaching. She is a third grade teacher at St. Joseph’s Catholic School in Killear, Texas. Husband William Rodebaugh III (B.A. ’98) is stationed with the 4th Infantry Division in Fort Hood, Texas. He is a commander for a line infantry company deployed to Iraq in December 2005.

Jennifer Mahboub (B.S.) was awarded a doctor of osteopathic medicine degree from Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine in June.

1999

Michael A. Becker, D.O. (M.S.), received the 2005 Frederick J. Solomon, D.O., Award of Merit from the Pennsylvania Osteopathic Family Physicians Society. Associate program director of the family practice residency program at Mercy Suburban Hospital in Norristown, Pa., he is a clinical assistant professor in the Department of Family Medicine at Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine and the Des Moines (Iowa) University Osteopathic Medical College. Becker is also founder of Ebony Circle, a nonprofit family organization, as well as...
JOHN HAGEMAN
UNDERCOVER NO MORE

Hageman returned to campus in November to participate in a Career Development Center event.

He’s been a special agent with the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, and Firearms (ATF) for nearly 18 years, yet he still calls on his education every day on the job.

“I think that a well-rounded, liberal arts education gives you a good starting point for a lot of creative conversations in the workplace,” said John Hageman ’87 (B.S.). “Because I learned so many different things at Saint Joseph’s, I can think of more creative ways to catch criminals.”

Hageman spent his first seven years at the ATF working to monitor gun trafficking and the next eight working on the national response team for arson and explosives. He has gone undercover to purchase drugs, handguns, and machine guns, and once assisted in convicting a felon who was using an unauthorized federal license for explosives to import them from China. But being able to seize illegal explosives is only part of the job; Hageman also needed to know how to spot potential home-brewed bombs. “[My classes in] chemistry have helped in my explosives work,” he said, “by helping me understand the properties of various chemical compounds and their interaction with each other.”

Not all crimes covered by the ATF are the stuff that Hollywood blockbusters are made of, and Hageman points out that work that appears to go on behind the scenes is just as important as field work. His knowledge of accounting — a holdover from his time in what was formerly the College of Business and Administration — has helped him “understand how a company’s books appear to show profit when in reality bankruptcy is right around the corner. Being able to notice this kind of motive is very useful when investigating white collar crime.”

Hageman also credits his background in theology, philosophy, and sociology as the reasons he can relate so well when interrogating a criminal. “The philosophy and sociology backgrounds have certainly provided insight into why criminal activity occurs,” he said. “Understanding the dynamics of the thought and lifestyle of a suspect helps in breaking down criminals in interviews. If you can see where one is coming from, you are in a better position as an investigator to get the information or confession.”

Hageman currently serves as the ATF’s public information officer for southern New Jersey and all of Pennsylvania, and says that he still has to be attuned to every aspect of the work he did in the field. “I have been trained to investigate crime and try to bring about a sense of safety and fairness to the communities I have worked for,” he said. “Though my role now is not investigatory in nature, it is my task to tell the stories of the dedicated ATF agents and to interact with the U.S. congressional body to promote the mission of ATF.”

Hageman has stayed in touch with Saint Joseph’s throughout his career, often working with the Career Development Center to meet with students interested in criminal justice. “There wasn’t a lot of recruitment for law enforcement going on when I was trying to find a job,” he said. “I want to make sure that students get to see all the opportunities they have.”

— Jeffrey Martin ’04 (B.A.), ’05 (M.A.)
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Selena (Curcio) Callan (B.S., M.S. ’02) has taken time off from teaching in the Swedesboro-Woolwich School District to be a mother-at-home. She, husband Michael, and daughter Brooke reside in Mullica Hill, N.J.

Brenda Dane (B.S.) was named executive development director of the Health Literacy Foundation in Chicago, Ill. The foundation received funding from the Corporation for National and Community Service that benefited SJU’s sociology department.

Dhanya (Maxwell) John (B.S., M.B.A. ’02) is employed at Alliance Bernstein. She and husband Johnson live in Glen Ridge, N.J.

Derick A. Mundey (B.S.) earned a doctor of osteopathic medicine degree from Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine in June.

Benjamin L. Stewart (B.S.) received a doctor of osteopathic medicine degree from Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine in June.

Births

Gianna Margaret, daughter of Tara and Marc Gibbs (B.S. ’91)

Anne Elizabeth to Mary and Steven J. Geib (B.S. ’81, M.S. ’84)

Jacqueline Joanne to Christine Betsen-Smith (B.S. ’82) and Roy Smith

Jillian and Thomas to Elizabeth “Lisa” Kozak (B.S. ’84, M.B.A. ’88) and David Bamberger

Mavoie Cathleen to Christina (Graham, B.A. ’85) and Paul Boston (B.S. ’86)

Camille Gyi Yu to Faye and Michael Cormack (B.S. ’86)

Catherine Elizabeth to Patricia (Sisk, B.S. ’86) and Joseph Hayes

Claudia Louise to Louise (Foster, B.S. ’88) and William Gelles

Gianna Margaret to Tara and Marc Gibbs (B.S. ’91)

Evan Salvatore to Cheryl and Jeffrey LaMura (B.S. ’91)

Brooke Meghan to Donna (Travia, B.S. ’91) and Stephen Mastro

Meghan Sinead to Dawn Tobin-Holt and Patrick Holt (B.A. ’92)

Quinn Elizabeth to Kate and Chris O’Brien (B.S. ’92)

Kevin Christopher to Kate (Shields, B.S. ’92, M.B.A. ’95) and Paul Landaiche

Ashley Rose to Denise (Turner, B.S. ’93) and Allen Ciampetti

Aubrey Rae to Elizabeth (Weirach, B.S. ’93) and Chad Hull

Robert Edwin Jr. to Kelly and Robert Anne (B.S. ’94)

Katherine Margaret to Kristin Kerrigan (B.A. ’94, M.A. ’97) and Jeremy Cressman (B.S. ’97)

Claire Amelie to Lisa (Zakrzewski, B.S. ’94) and Erik Sorensen

Emma Elizabeth to Jennifer and David Zambo (B.S. ’94)

Henry Christopher to Jennifer (Adams, B.S. ’95) and Christopher Phillips (B.S. ’95)

Nicole Arielle to Christina (DeCicco, B.S. ’95) and James Capriotti (B.S. ’96)

Madeline Grace to Carrie (Hale, B.S. ’95) and Paul Gregory

James Haughton to Marie (Haughton, B.A. ’95) and John Flacco

Jack Walker to Kelley (Amberston, B.S. ’96) and Brian O’Neill

Anna Grace to Adrienne (Bilardo, B.S. ’96) and Michael DelVecchio (B.S. ’96)

Stephen James to Aye (French, B.S. ’96, M.S. ’97) and Brent Beatty

Keenan to Jill (Holewinski, B.S. ’96) and Matthew O’Donnell

Ashlyn Jam to Lisa (Latt, B.S. ’96) and William Bono Jr.

Patrick Francis III to Kimberly (McQuillin, B.S. ’96) and Patrick Devlin (B.A. ’95)

Sela Marie to Erika Marie (Martinez, B.A. ’96) and Joseph Muto

Sean Michael to Meghan (Ginty, B.S. ’97) and Michael Grawley (B.S. ’96)

Cecelia Amy to Amy (Hannahoe, B.A. ’97, M.A. ’98) and Andrew Wright

Marissa Sattin to Tiffany Sattin (B.S. ’97) and Chip Vagnoni

Marcus James to Carolyn (Wood, B.S. ’97) and Michael Meakim

Annabella Rose to Dana (Berti, B.A. ’99) and Michael Schufer (B.S. ’98)

Caiti Dorothea to Elizabeth (Gill, B.S. ’99) and Edward Fee (B.S. ’99)

Erin Anne to Carolyn (McCloskey, B.A. ’99) and David Magee (B.A. ’94)

Joseph Aloysius to Nancy (Neves, B.S. ’99) and Daniel Kilpatrick (B.S. ’99)

Laura Grace to Stefanie (Pardik, B.S. ’99) and Ally Gaylord (B.S. ’98)

Brenna Grace to Colleen and Thomas Veitz Jr. (B.S. ’99, M.S. ’05)

Abigail Pearl to Catherine (Woodcock, B.A. ’99, M.B.A. ’00) and Joseph Burch

Cyan to Summer (Baylor, B.S. ’00) and Warren Green

Jacob to Jennifer (Dillalogue, B.S. ’00) and Benjamin Zeyyk (B.A. ’01)

Zachary Frank to Kimberly (Von Bargen, B.S. ’00) and Vincent Blando

Emma Grace to Faith (Ahearn, B.A. ’01, M.A. ’02) and Charles Holmgren

Brooke Olivia to Selena (Curcio, B.S. ’01, M.S. ’02) and Michael Callan

Ambri Ann to Angela and John Doyle (B.S. ’02)

Nicholas Patrick to Alison McGeary-Stella (B.S. ’02) and Patrick Stella

Tyler Gene to Valerie and Brian Weiss (M.B.A. ’03)
MARYANN CUSIMANO LOVE ’86

FINDING THE SIMPLE JOYS

What do political activist Saul Alinsky, Winnie the Pooh, and St. Ignatius have in common? Together, believes Maryann Cusimano Love, Ph.D. ’86 (B.S.), they hold the key to life’s greatest mystery.

“Alinsky says it’s about ‘doing what you can with what you have,’” said Dr. Love. “Winnie the Pooh says it’s good friends, a warm sun, and a full honey pot. Ignatius says it’s ‘finding God in all things.’ I think the truth of what life is about is somewhere in between.”

The truth about this former SJU international relations major/English minor is her resume reads like American political royalty. Dr. Love teaches diplomats and military officers at the Pentagon; has made media appearances on CNN International; is a member of the Board of Jesuit Refugees; advises the U.S. Catholic Bishops and the Council on Foreign Relations; and is a tenured professor of international politics at Catholic University. This Bethlehem, Pa., native attributes her success to her Catholic faith, grounded in her Saint Joseph’s experience.

“I remember being challenged by Fathers Joseph Godfrey and Dennis McNally,” she said. “I remember serving at the Gesu over spring break and studying abroad, and feeling the readings from my history and politics classes click into place. St. Joe’s helped develop my social conscience and gave me tools to put it to use.”

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Immigration: The Search for Rational Dialogue

Late last summer, two governors declared states of emergency that had nothing to do with the devastation wrought by Hurricane Katrina. Rather, these officials in New Mexico and Arizona stated that growing chaos at the border with Mexico had reached the point that extraordinary measures had to be taken.

For most of us, it is difficult to remember the days before September 11, 2001, when a newly inaugurated President George W. Bush agreed that the issue of immigration held top priority with his administration, a view reinforced by his decision to meet Mexico’s President Vicente Fox before any other foreign head of state.

Since that time, a sustained national discussion has itself migrated to the margins of our country’s consciousness, surfacing only intermittently, as when the children of undocumented residents win a national science competition, another truckload of desperate, dehydrated pilgrims appears on our television screens emerging from the desert, or a group of misguided “patriots” decides to take the law into its own hands by creating a “civilian border patrol.” Clearly, we are in desperate need of thoughtful, sustained dialogue on these issues.

The major demographic transformation in the United States since the 1960s has been the dramatic rise in the population with roots in Latin America. This population reached approximately 20 million in 1980, and then almost doubled again between 1980 and today. The Census Bureau reported in 2004 that “Latinos” now constitute the nation’s largest minority, surpassing the population of African-Americans. Latinos will almost surely continue to gain as a percentage of the total U.S. population, due to immigration as well as the their higher birthrate compared to the population as a whole. While 70 percent of the Latino population is still concentrated in only seven states, many regions have seen a dramatic increase in the Latino presence in the last decade.

Political factors, as well as economic ones, especially the increasing integration of the hemispheric economy under the rubric of “free trade,” are major contributions to the increase in the Latin American origin population. Still, Latinos today constitute just about 13 percent of the total U.S. population. More important, Latinos are not a homogenous group. The term refers to individuals with roots in more than 20 different countries in this hemisphere, and also to Puerto Ricans, who have been U.S. citizens since 1917. The idea that a monolithic Spanish-speaking population will undermine core American values is belied by this diversity, as well as the available data on the transformations of this population over time, including acquisition of the English language, home ownership, and an incredibly strong belief that the United States provides both greater opportunities to “get ahead” and superior “treatment of the poor” than their countries of ancestry.

Undocumented migration is a distinct issue from the above, though it is true that the vast majority of undocumented migrants also have roots in Latin America. Estimates of the number of undocumented immigrants in the United States today are more than 10 million. Each day, border agents detain thousands of people trying to enter the United States without proper documentation, while thousands more pass beyond their reach. More than 3,000 people have died just trying to cross the border between Mexico and the United States in the last 10 years. Given these data and other information, it is hard to deny that the global economy and U.S. practices regarding migration are in desperate need of reform. But what is the solution?

On the one hand, practical considerations abound. The arrest and deportation of all undocumented residents would cost far more than the total budget allocated for the entire Department of Homeland Security. If our legislators were to enact such a Draconian measure, the impact would be devastating on the individuals and families who rely on these workers for sustenance both in the U.S. and abroad, as well as on U.S. employers and consumers for years to come.

Beyond these considerations, it seems to me that our national discussion should be focused on developing defensible ethical positions on migration based on core values such as the dignity of each person, from which political advocacy and solutions that reflect these values should flow. It is in that spirit that I developed and taught a Faith-Justice course in fall 2005 on Latin American-U.S. migration. In addition, several University organizations co-sponsored a series of events throughout the semester that addressed in-depth many of these issues, engaging our community in this crucial dialogue about who we are and who we wish to be.

— Richard Warren, Ph.D.

Dr. Warren is an associate professor of history and director of Saint Joseph’s Latin American Studies program. He recommends the following Web sites for those interested in more information: www.usccb.org/lms/stranger.shtml (a joint letter on migration from the Catholic Bishops of Mexico and the U.S.) and thomas.loc.gov (access to information on pending federal immigration bills).
Traveling the Path of St. Ignatius

Early on a bright, sunny morning in Northern Spain, I wandered out of our hotel to find a quiet place to write and to see the Black Madonna, a statue in the Benedictine monastery at Montserrat with particular significance to St. Ignatius of Loyola. Ignatius retreated to Montserrat to pray, and I was here to think about how to do that, too. With 20 faculty, two from Saint Joseph’s and the rest from two other Jesuit universities, I was “Exploring the Heritage of St. Ignatius” by embarking on a pilgrimage that traced the path of Ignatius’s life from his home in Northern Spain to Rome.

At each place, faculty from different disciplines discussed art and art history, medieval living, theological practices, Catholicism, and teaching. We shared wine, conversation, and prayer as we considered Ignatius’s conversion experiences. Actually being in the places where he was baptized, spent time recovering from war wounds, and preached on street corners made Ignatius’s life more vivid to me.

As a Catholic, I have been brought up to understand that saints are models for us to live by, but often saints seem abstract. Seeing where Ignatius lived and preached reminded me that he was a living, breathing person who struggled with sin, who worked to educate others, and who took heroic risks in his life to come closer to Christ and to fight for the greater good and the greater glory of God.

The monastery at Montserrat is built halfway up a mountain, and I think it is one of the most beautiful spots in the world. It is hard not to feel closer to God high in the mountains of Northern Spain.

Early the next day, I walked over to the chapel of the Benedictines to see the Black Madonna. The chapel was locked, but I had my journal and thought I would do some writing. I sat on the ground in a courtyard outside the chapel and under a statue of Ignatius. As I wrote, I thought about how little time there is for us to be contemplative in American life, and I reflected on my teaching. I have been thinking about how to teach students to discern their vocation, their life’s work, through the teaching of service-learning. When students perform service in the community for a service-learning class, my goal is for them to begin to recognize the difficulty and complexity of social justice work. In three hours a week, students cannot change the life circumstances of the people they serve; however, students can begin to recognize their own relatively privileged lives and embrace the Jesuit idea of solidarity with the poor. Sitting on the ground in Monserrat, I thought about how Ignatius promoted reflection and discernment through the spiritual exercises, and I thought about how to bring moments for such discernment back to the classroom.

When the chapel eventually opened, I wandered inside. The Black Madonna herself was high above the altar. The path to get to her was unclear, so I meandered through a number of side chapels trying to find the path. Finally I found a way to the Black Madonna. I wandered up, dipped my fingers in holy water and went down, ending up at the bank of votive candles. Then I found a candle, a white one, I think, and lit it for a former student of mine who had just died.

I spend time teaching writing and writing and thinking about details and what details convey what; the importance of the small moments. Tracing the path of Ignatius made me more aware of the details — of how his autobiography has fed into those Ignatian ideas about discernment and cura personalis and the magis. This semester, I find myself thinking often of that place in Northern Spain where Ignatius prayed. For students who spend so much time hooked up to iPods and cell phones, who live in crowds of people and have little time for silence, I’ve tried to create spaces in class for contemplation, for reflection. And we talk about discernment and about what it means to live a life in solidarity with the poor. Often one of the most challenging ideas for students to understand is this idea of solidarity — the idea that simply “being with,” either through prayer or contemplation or being “fully present,” is sometimes as much as “doing for.”

For me, traveling on the path of Ignatius helped me think about the ways that lighting candles, that creating spaces for silence, can contribute to our ongoing formation, whether we are Christian, Jewish, or Muslim, whether we are faculty, administrators, students, or alumni. In that balance of contemplation and action, we can learn much from Ignatius.

— Ann E. Green, Ph.D.

Ann Green is associate professor of English and founding director of Saint Joseph’s Writing Center.
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